WELCOME FROM OUR CHAIR

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Health Administration and Policy has had another exciting year. What makes our department a model for interdisciplinary collaboration and cooperation are the faculty and staff. We welcomed three new full-time tenure-track faculty members: Dr. Aubrey Jackson and Dr. Brian Soller, both of whom are Sociologists with a focus on Criminology. Additionally, Dr. Camee Maddox-Wingfield successfully transitioned from a fellowship to tenure-track faculty position in Anthropology. We continue to build our world-class faculty with the promotion and award of tenure to Associate Professor, Dr. Loren Henderson. For the first time, the department has appointed a Professor of the Practice, Dr. Sally Scott, the Director of the new Master's Program in Community Leadership.

The successes of our faculty are too numerous to mention, but highlights include Dr. Dena Smith’s new book *Medicine Over Mind* and the publication of 14 peer-reviewed journal articles by our faculty, some of which included graduate student co-authors. Faculty continue to receive awards and grants for their outstanding scholarship. Five faculty members received internal awards such as the Hrabowski Innovation Award (Dr. Yamashita), UMBC Strategic Awards for Research Transitions (Dr. Chard and Dr. Mair), and Summer Faculty Research Fellowships (Drs. Chapin, Schumacher, and Smith).

The Center for Aging Studies continues to expand the breadth of faculty research grants and sponsors. For example, Dr. Brian Soller's research is funded to examine the effectiveness of research mentors working with underrepresented minority faculty members and is funded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences. Dr. Jennifer Callaghan-Koru recently received an award of $10.3 million from the Health Resources and Services Administration to study the effectiveness of maternal health program interventions in Maryland. Dr. Yamashita’s grant funding comes from the U.S. Department of Education and focuses on lifelong learning, skill proficiencies, and employment of middle-aged and older adults in the U.S. and selected countries. We also continue to receive substantial research support from the National Institute on Aging. For example, Dr. Laura Girling, who received her Ph.D. from the UMBC/UMB Doctoral Program in Gerontology, has two NIA awards, one examining the experiences of older adults living alone and suffering from the early stages of dementia and the other to conduct an auxiliary bioethics project focusing on barriers to research inclusion of live-alone persons with dementia. We also are pleased that Dr. Girling agreed to serve as the Acting Director of the Center, and she will participate in a departmental ad-hoc committee that is engaging in a visioning process regarding the Center's next five years.

This past year, we were successful in recruiting two new staff members to our outstanding team: Emily Byrne, Coordinator for the Master's in Applied Sociology and Jennifer Kelly, the department's accountant. In acknowledgment of Cathy McDonell's expanding role, she was promoted this past summer to Department Manager. As the department plans for the future, Debbie Sanford's role as the Coordinator of Advising will provide leadership in student retention and progression to graduation, a major focus of the university, our college, and department.

The support and success of our students is core to our mission. The scope of student achievements comprises much of this newsletter, but special congratulations go to Samiksha Manjani (SOCY), Spring 2019 Valedictorian and Jessica Linus (HAPP) Fulbright Research Recipient. Students mentored by our faculty made presentations at URCAD and URA. I also honor our alumni for all their accomplishments and especially Kelsey Krach (ANTH), Michael Burgos (SOCY MA), Kyle Edwards (SOCY MA), Yamini Narayan (HAPP).
Dr. Aubrey Jackson Soller received her PhD from The Ohio State University in 2013 and was an Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of New Mexico from 2013-2019. Her scholarship centers on how power and gender inequality shape laws as well as individuals’ experiences with crime, health, and risk behaviors across urban contexts, and their consequences for women and girls. Her work expands on commonly used theories in criminology and sociology to rethink neighborhood influences on crime, health, and risk behaviors. She has published in several top journals, including Criminology, The Journal of Marriage and Family, and The American Journal of Sociology. Dr. Jackson has previously taught undergraduate and graduate courses in crime, public policy, and the criminal justice system; the sociology of law; the politics of crime and punishment; and political sociology.

Dr. Brian Soller received his PhD from The Ohio State University in 2013 and was an assistant professor of Sociology at the University of New Mexico from 2013-2019. He has taught courses on criminology and research methods and statistics at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Dr. Soller’s research primarily focuses on understanding how social networks and neighborhoods impact health and well-being in adolescence and throughout the life course. He is also currently employing social network analysis to identify ways to improve health care of uranium miners in rural areas and to enhance mentorship among underrepresented minority medical school faculty members. His research is currently supported by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS). His publications have appeared in The Journal of Health and Social Behavior and The American Journal of Sociology, Criminology, and Social Science Research.
FACULTY AWARDED GRANTS

The University of Maryland, Baltimore County is a partner on a new grant to improve the quality of maternal health care across the state of Maryland. The 5-year, $10.3 million award from the US Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, will fund the creation of the Maryland Maternal Health Innovation Program. Johns Hopkins University will lead the team which includes the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Patient Safety Center, in addition to the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

The Maryland Maternal Health Innovation Program will implement several statewide initiatives with an overall goal to eliminate preventable maternal deaths and severe pregnancy complications in Maryland. To improve the quality of maternal health care, the program will work to strengthen hospital-based quality improvement efforts and train providers on early recognition of warning signs for severe complications and reduction of implicit bias. In addition, the program will develop a perinatal telemedicine program to quickly connect experts in obstetric specialties with community and rural hospitals throughout the state. To address disparities in maternal health, the program will partner with home-visiting programs across the state to increase women’s knowledge and access to care for maternal complications. The project will also develop a state-wide dashboard to better disseminate maternal health statistics and improve evidence-based decision making. The work will be coordinated through the establishment of the Maryland Maternal Health Task Force whose members will include officials from state governments and agencies, as well as professional organizations, providers, payers, patient-advocacy groups, and community organizations.

Dr. Jennifer Callaghan-Koru and Dr. Gunes Koru are the lead investigators from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Dr. Callaghan-Koru, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Health Administration and Policy, is a public health researcher whose work leverages implementation science to improve healthcare and outcomes for mothers and children. She previously received funding from the National Institutes of Health to study factors that determine successful implementation of evidence-based practices in obstetric care. Dr. Koru is a Professor in the Department of Information Systems, who conducts interdisciplinary and applied research at the intersection of health services and informatics, including health-information privacy, home healthcare, and health-data quality. He previously received funding from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality and the Maryland Department of Health.

EFFECTIVENESS OF INNOVATIVE RESEARCH MENTOR INTERVENTIONS AMONG UNDERREPRESENTED MINORITY FACULTY IN THE SOUTHWEST

Dr. Brian Soller is co-investigator on the following grant: Effectiveness of Innovative Research Mentor Interventions among Underrepresented Minority Faculty in the Southwest. National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS). Role: Co-I. PI: Dr. Akshay Sood (University of New Mexico).

NIH GRANTS

FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE THE IMPLEMENTATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF A PATIENT SAFETY BUNDLE TO REDUCE LOW-RISK CESAREAN DELIVERIES.

Dr. Jennifer Callaghan-Koru received grant funding from the National Institutes of Health, more specifically the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development.

AGING AT HOME WITH DEMENTIA: BIOETHICAL IMPLICATIONS FOR INCLUSION

Nearly 48 million individuals worldwide have dementia with projections estimating as many as 75 million may be afflicted by 2050. Although approximations vary, a substantial portion of those affected live in the community alone, accounting for up to one-third of cases. Despite these trends, available information about live-alone persons with dementia and their caregivers is limited. Funded by the National Institute on Aging (NIA), Dr. Laura Girling and colleagues are conducting an ambitious dyadic protocol, titled Aging at Home Alone with Alzheimer’s and Related Dementias, exploring the life experiences and home environment of 120 community dwelling live-alone persons with dementia. Data will provide significant insights into the complex and important issues of how networks are created, extended, and manipulated to accommodate shifting needs, and the environment’s role in aging at home alone with neurocognitive decline.

Building on her current research, Dr. Girling and Co-Investigators (Dr. Kate de Medeiros, Miami University; Dr. Nancy Berlinger, Hastings Center) have received additional NIA funding to conduct an auxiliary bioethics project focusing on barriers to research inclusion of live-alone persons with dementia. Their protocol will include ancillary interviews with five domains of gatekeepers and a new scoping study method to propose ethically sound ways for the research community to support inclusion of people living alone with dementia.
MARINA ADLER
Panelist: “Wall Stories: A Discussion About Barriers and How to Overcome Them,” hosted by the Center for Democracy and Civic Life, in partnership with MLLI, Division of Student Affairs & co-sponsored by POLI SCI, Hillel, Mosaic Center, and Global Studies.
November 11, 2019; 5:30 p.m.; Skylight Lounge.

JENNIFER CALLAGHAN-KORU
Delivered an invited national webinar for the Alliance for Innovation in Maternal Health on implementation strategies for improving maternal health care.

BAMBI CHAPIN

Presenting this fall as part of the plenary session at the Society for Psychological Anthropology Biennial with Christine El Ouardani (California State University, Long Beach): “Examining attachment during childhood in Sri Lanka and Morocco: Towards more general, inclusive, and ethical theory” as well as serving as a discussant for the session Children and Caretakers.

LOREN HENDERSON
Nominated for the Community Change Agent Award by the Lambda Kappa Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

CAMEE MADDOX-WINGFIELD
Presented a guest lecture at Bucknell University hosted by the Griot Center on April 1, 2019 entitled: “Rhythm and Restoration: A Discussion of Dance and Spiritual Healing in Contemporary Martinique.”

FRED L. PINCUS (Emeritus)
November 21, 2019 4 p.m. AOK Library. Reading from his memoir to be published summer 2020: “Confessions from a Radical Sociologist.”

BRIAN SOLLER
Joined the editorial board of Social Science Research.

BRANDY WALLACE
Will serve as one of three UMBC representatives at the Coalition of Urban Serving Universities Social Determinants of Health Innovation meeting at the end of September in Ohio.

Will continue her role as BSS representative on the GSA membership committee.

Has been invited by the provost to serve on the Executive Committee on the Recruitment, Retention, and Advancement of Underrepresented Minority Faculty.

JENNIFER CALLAGHAN-KORU and KATIE BIRGER
Presented research at the teaching and learning symposium: “Approaches to Obtaining Student Feedback on Competency Achievement in the Health Administration and Policy Program” (Jennifer Callaghan-Koru and Katie, Birger on behalf of the HAPP Committee).

To support a program effort to review and map the competencies of the Health Administration and Policy Program (HAPP), we sought students’ perspectives of what competencies they developed through the HAPP coursework in two ways. First, we administered a web-based exit interview which asked graduating students to rate, according to a 1-to-5 scale, how prepared they are to perform 17 health sciences skills and 10 professional skills (with 1 being “not at all prepared” and 5 “very prepared”). Eighty students in three cohorts have completed the survey. Only three competencies received an average rating below 4 out of 5. Second, we held a focus group discussion with students that included a pile sort activity to better understand students’ perspectives on which of the HAPP core courses addressed each competency. We are incorporating this student feedback as we complete the competency mapping and address curriculum overlaps and gaps.

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

FACULTY AWARDS

BAMBI CHAPIN
Summer Faculty Research Fellowship through CAHSS/CS3 for research on her new project in Sri Lanka (SU2019): “Change and Continuity in Sinhala Families in Central Sri Lanka”

LOREN HENDERSON
Hanes Walton, Jr. Award for Quantitative Methods Training

DENA SMITH
Summer Faculty Research Fellowship through CAHSS/CS3 for research on her new project (SU 2019): “Psychoanalytic Residue? Psychodynamic Principles in Psychiatric Treatment”

TAKASHI YAMASHITA
Fall 2018 Hrabowski Innovation Award
FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

JENNIFER CALLAGHAN-KORU


SARAH CHARD


LAURA GIRLING

CHRISTINE MAIR

BRIAN SOLLER


JAMIE TREVITT

TAKASHI YAMASHITA


CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. DENA SMITH!
Rutgers University Press
September 2019
Women’s volleyball player, Niki Khoshatefeh with SOCY 101 instructor, Rachel Crane.

Women’s soccer player, Nikki Saad, with long-time HAPP instructor, Paul Coakley.

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ADJUNCT FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to Rachel Crane and Paul Coakley for being recognized at the Faculty and Staff Appreciation nights held by the women’s volleyball and soccer teams this fall. Thank you for your dedication to our students!

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STAFF SPOTLIGHT

WELCOME NEW STAFF

EMILY BYRNE
GRADUATE PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Emily Byrne joined the SAHAP department as our Graduate Program Coordinator in March of 2019. She will be coordinating the Applied Sociology Master’s Program, and the Graduate Certificates in the Nonprofit Sector and Social Dimensions of Health. Prior to coming to UMBC, Emily worked at the Baltimore VA Medical Center as an Exercise Physiologist and Study Coordinator. Emily earned her bachelor’s degree in Exercise Science from Towson University in 2012.

Outside of working in SAHAP, Emily enjoys traveling, baking, and reading.

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FALL 2019 JOB WELL DONE GROUP PROJECT AWARD

Nominated by Andrea Kalfoglou, our team was awarded HR’s Fall 2019 Job Well Done Group Project Award. “Project Recruitment” Current ANTH and HAPP majors sent personalized congratulations postcards to newly admitted freshmen.

Cathy McDonnell, Amy Barnes, Melissa Cox, & Katie Birger
During her spring sabbatical, Dr. Christine Mair traveled to three continents and 10 countries to meet with researchers across the globe and presented her work on non-traditional family forms, social support, and aging populations. In the coming year, Dr. Mair will be constructing a grant application with these international collaborators to analyze the needs of aging populations across 30 countries.

During the summer of 2019, Dr. Bambi L. Chapin, spent two months in Sri Lanka conducting close observations and interviews in the homes of six women in Sri Lanka who participated from her ethnographic study two decades previously. She also followed up with other participants in her earlier research. The data collected will allow Dr. Chapin to analyze how family life, parenting, and women's experiences have changed and continued in patterned ways since 1999. While there, Dr. Chapin also met with Sri Lankan researchers to lay the groundwork for future collaborations. The CAHSS Summer Faculty Research Fellowship through the Center for Social Science Research, supplemented by the CAHSS Dean’s Research Fund, supported the travel for this project, research stipends for participating families, and research assistance.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SPRING 2019 ANTHROPOLOGY GRADUATES!

Mae Crew
Amy Cruz*
Jacob Estes
Stefan Gehman
Sarafina Harper
Madeline Lilienthal
Theodore Owens
Darius Sias
Katherine Sims*

* student has achieved a 3.5+ GPA
2018-2019 SAHAP STUDENT AWARDS

Outstanding Students
Anna Lettieri (Sociology)
Mac Crew (Anthropology)
Inaya Wahid (HAPP)

The David and Jeannette Lewis Memorial Scholarship Award
Sociology
Phil Wood
Jessica Colvin
Anthropology
Katherine Sims
Amy Cruz

Health Administration and Policy Program
Council of Majors’ Book Scholarship
Alexis Bartelloni
Aesha Patel

Barbara E. Burkman Scholarship
Sophia Sakellariou

Gill Award
Fariha Khalid

Mary Stuart Internship Excellence Award
Rajani Gooden

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SAHAP MAJORS

Distinctive Undergraduate Experience Research (DUER)
Funds undergraduate research

Lewis Award
Supports undergraduate Sociology and Anthropology outstanding academic achievement

Health Administration and Policy Council of Majors Book Scholarship
Provides funding for HAPP students for semester expenses

Barbara E. Burkman Scholarship
Provides funding for HAPP students for semester expenses

Gill Award
Awarded bi-annually to graduate students based on service to the program and GPA

Outstanding Student Award
Selected by faculty based on service to the major and GPA

Mary Stuart Internship Excellence Award
Awarded in spring and fall (summer graduates are eligible) semesters for excellence in the HAPP internship. Based on preceptor evaluations, faculty input, and final project.

More information about department scholarships can be found on our website: sahap.umbc.edu

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SPRING 2019
HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY GRADUATES!

Jaskeerat Ahluwalia
Fatima Amjahad
Alexis Bartelloni*
Jenna Baverman*
Kaleb Berhanu
Amy Bers
David Bowen*
Evan Carder
Rabbia Choudary
Colleen Corrigan
Madhavi Desai
Emily Doan
Leah-Marcela Domino*
Sarah Elkhoga
Samad Fakhar
Kimberly Fleury
Luwam Gebreyesus
Rajani Gooden
Lauryn Hankerson
Sara Khan
Amy Kim
Jacqueline Kim*
Cambria King
Kavita Kumar
Kelly Lajoie
Taleah Langley
Jessica Linus*

America Lucero*
Samiha Maghari*
Katherine Magtanong
Samna Mathur*
Ryan Mogol
Rhody Mulu*
Ezinwa Nwakama*
Aesha Patel*
Saleha Pirzada
Madyson Popalis*
Naseem Redmond
Austin Rozario
Rabia Saher*
Hadyah Salehi
Kiran Sandhu*
Ciara Saunders*
Jessica Shelton
Raza Shirazie
Aakriti Shrestha
Simrat Singh*
Rachel Sullivan
Miju Sultan
Vyoma Thakor
Raissa Toure
Ariel Westbrook
Cassandra Willie
Ning Zou*

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LIA ADAMS (SOCY MA 2017)
As a Social Science Research Analyst with the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) Lia reviews and analyzes potential Medicaid financial management issues. She works on the Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) program which was instituted to help hospitals that serve large numbers of Medicaid and low-income patients. The DSH team recently worked on finalizing a rule (federal regulation) to implement statutorily required DSH allotment reductions. Lia relies heavily on the research and analytical skills that she learned in the Applied Sociology Master’s Program to carry out her day-to-day responsibilities. When recommending a path forward to resolve an issue, she conducts an analysis of the information gathered to make an informed decision while ensuring it is in accordance with national policy. She is a member of the employee engagement team that aims to impact staff’s morale, comradery, and professional development.

MICHAEL BURGOS (SOCY MA 2017)
Last spring Michael was nominated by the University of South Carolina for the NACADA Outstanding New Advisor Award and was selected as one of 10 certificate of merit award winners in this category. He is a First-Year Academic Advisor for the College of Education at the University of South Carolina.

KYLE EDWARDS (SOCY MA 2013)
Alum & Sociology adjunct instructor, Kyle Edwards, was awarded the Washington DC Office of Cable, Television, Film, Media and Entertainment Filmmaker of the Month award for July 2019 for his film "68."
Mr. Edwards has recently been accepted into the Spring 2020 cohort for the Institute for Documentary Filmmaking at George Washington University, which is a 6-month graduate certificate program, commencing in January.

JOCELYN IHRIG (SOCY MA 2017)
As a Health Insurance Specialist with the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), Jocelyn reviews state proposals submitted to CMS, provides technical assistance to State Medicaid Agencies, and makes provider payment policy recommendations regarding the payment methodologies and financing associated with fee-for-service institutional and non-institutional medical services in order to ensure compliance with Federal statutes and regulations in the Medicaid program. She has participated in collaborative work groups and review teams regarding access to care in the Medicaid program, durable medical equipment payment limit implementation, provider payment reassignment regulation, innovative maternal-infant health delivery and payment models, newly added coverage for substance use disorders/opioid treatment within the Medicaid program, and Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Demonstration application review team. She is a a member of the employee engagement team that aims to impact staff’s morale, comradery, and professional development.

ALICE JEAN MCLELLAN (SOCY MA 2013)
Bank of America Senior Vice President; Global Corporate Health and Safety Manager for US/Canada/Latin America Regions.

YAMINI NARAYAN (HAPP 2018) As a HAPP student, Yamini was very active in both co-curricular and external internships. She interned with the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, The Urban Institute, and The Hilltop Institute studying various aspects of health policy. Yamini is currently working as a Research Fellow in the Yale Law School, studying state-level data related to firearm fatalities. She plans to complete her Master’s of Public Health at the Yale School of Public Health in 2020.
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HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY COUNCIL OF MAJORS (HAPP COM)

HAPP COM connects students within the major through networking opportunities and meetings. HAPP COM members can expect to see volunteer opportunities, social events, contests, and alumni panels throughout this year. HAPP COM was one sponsor of the Applying to Graduate School forum on October 23, 2019 - a panel discussion on applying to graduate school in the social sciences.

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AMERICAN MOCK WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (AMWHO)

The American Mock World Health Organization or Model-WHO is a conference simulation of the World Health Assembly, the annual global health policymaking forum of the World Health Organization (WHO). As chapter members of the national organization, students of UMBC come together twice a month to discuss current pressing health issues. Every 2nd Monday of the month, we hold our General Body Meetings where we discuss current topics such as refugee and migrant health, maternity healthcare, and much more! Every 4th Monday of the month, we invite professors from different educational backgrounds to speak to our student body about their experiences and research studies. These meetings titled "Snack & Learn" are a great opportunity for us to learn about potential career options in the future while learning how our area of study can impact the world around us. So far, we have had Dr. Callaghan-Koru and Professor Birger from the HAPPP Department speak to us about their career achievements. We plan to prepare our students for the annual AMWHO conference taking place at UNC-Chapel Hill from April 2-5, 2020 during the Spring Semester!

2019-2020 Executive Board

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Co-Directors of Campus Outreach: William Bundi & Leah Ramnarine
Faculty Sponsor: Dr. Jennifer Callaghan-Koru

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SAHAP STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
UNDERGRAD RESEARCH
& CREATIVE ACHIEVEMENT DAY
(URCAD) APRIL 2019

Amy Cruz (ANTH/GWST 19)
mentor: Amy Bhatt
*An Exploration of the Social Aspects of the Maryland Medical Cannabis Program*

Mae Crew (ANTH 19)
mentor: Bambi Chapin
*A Case Study of the Cultural Framing of Mental Illness in the U.S.*

Morfea Arvanitis (HAPP 19)
mentor: Jennifer Callaghan-Koru
*A Systematic Review of Use of the ExpandNet Framework to Study Scale Up of Evidence-Based Health Interventions*

FALL 2019
ANTICIPATING GRADUATES

SOCIOLOGY
(Undergraduates)
Jorge Benavides
Isabel Bridges
Almira Claro
Bex Dennis
Eze Enwereuzor
Kenya James
Dakota Jones
Victoria Klockenga*
Tiffany Ly*
Teresa Moore
Mitchell Moravec
Rachel O’doyle
Robert Ruppolt
Aranya Sen*
Nick Shoemaker
Michelle Tinsley

ANTHROPOLOGY
Adam Corder
Bex Dennis
Zachary Nicholas
Abraham Sadat
Jasmine Smith

HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY
Morfea Arvanitis*
Brittany Beckett
Ravi Bhatt
Cara Brown
Nenehmariam Bundu-Conteh
Ronak Desai
Erin Echols*
Nick Garnsey
Jerry Gebremeskel
Soko Gilbert
Deven Gosalia
Nada Ibrahim*
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Sohini Kundu
Jenny Lopez*
Esther Obasiolu
Gavriella Odutola
Tasneem Qalawee
Cierra Rich
Keny Rosa
Tayo Towobola
Kimberly Valdes
Bismah Zafar

APPLIED SOCIOLOGY
MASTER'S STUDENTS
Deedee Montiel*
Delaney Painter*
Daniel Sangria*
Lindsey Titus*

POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE IN THE NON-PROFIT SECTOR
Deedee Montiel
Delaney Painter
Lindsey Titus

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SPRING 2020

5 Courses
15 Credits
HEALTH AND INEQUALITY LECTURE

DEBORAH CARR

Golden Years? Social Inequalities in Later Life

Deborah Carr, Ph.D., Boston University

There are millions of people over 65 who struggle with poverty, chronic illness, unsafe housing, social isolation, and mistreatment by their caretakers. Carr examines the complex ways that socioeconomic status, race, and gender shape nearly every aspect of older adults’ lives. By focusing on an often-invisible group of vulnerable elders, Golden Years? reveals that disadvantages accumulate across the life course and profoundly undermine the well-being of millions of older adults.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

4 P.M.

AOK LIBRARY GALLERY

BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR SALE AND SIGNING

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

UMBC, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore MD, 21250
Samiksha Manjani
Spring 2019 Valedictorian
Sociology & Political Science double major

Jessica Linus
Fulbright Research Recipient
Faculty mentor: Dr. Jamie Trevitt

2019-2020 URA Scholars

Zachary Nicholas (ANTH)
Deciphering Cultural Roles and Social Pressure on Parents of Children with Special Needs
Dr. Bambi Chapin

Faith Davis & Joshua Slaughter (HAPP)
The Incidence of Pursuing Healthcare After Receiving Health Screening in Baltimore City
Ms. Katie Birger

Keisha Hale
Applied Sociology student and Graduate Assistant

Keisha Hale, was honored in September at The Children's Law Center's "Helping Children Soar" annual benefit at the Kennedy Center. Keisha was recognized for dedicating her personal and professional journey to helping other foster children achieve positive outcomes. Once a client of the Children's Law Center herself, Keisha worked with the organization during the Fall 2018 semester while taking our nonprofit course (SOCY 681) with Dr. J. Kevin Eckert.

Keisha's journey is summarized in this touching video animation produced by the Children's Law Center.
https://vimeo.com/36139173/122c796d87
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SAHAP DEPARTMENT EVENTS

SPRING 2019 EVENTS
February 28, 2019
Health & Inequality Lecture
Dr. Uptal Sandesara: *Sex Selective Abortion in India*
AOK Library Gallery

April 29, 2019
Fulbright Scholarship Information Session
PUP 204

FALL 2019 EVENTS
August 26, 2019
Graduate Student Orientation
PUP 204

September 4, 2019
Welcome Week Open House
Public Policy Building Atrium

October 4, 2019
Dena Smith’s Book Signing and Reading: *Medicine Over Mind*
AOK Library Gallery

October 23, 2019
Applying to Graduate School Forum
PUP 204

October 9th & November 4th
Online Open House
Graduate Programs in Applied Sociology

November 21, 2019
Professor Emeritus Fred Pincus
*Confessions of a Radical Sociologist*
AOK Library Gallery

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING 2020
Health & Inequality Lecture
Deborah Carr: *Golden Years? Social Inequalities in Later Life*
Wednesday, February 26, 2020
AOK Library Gallery