

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Ph.D., Jurisprudence and Social Policy Program, University of California, Berkeley, 2003.
J.D., University of California, Berkeley School of Law, 2001.
M.A., Department of Government and Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia, 1997.
B.A., Philosophy, Davidson College, 1995. Phi Beta Kappa.

Academic Appointments

Professor of Women's and Gender Studies, University of Michigan (2017 to present).
Professor of Sociology, Political Science, and Health Management and Policy, University of Michigan (by courtesy, 2017 to present).
Professor of Law, University of Michigan (by courtesy, 2024 to present).
Associate Professor of Women's Studies and Political Science (by courtesy), University of Michigan (2010 to 2017).
Assistant Professor of Women's Studies and Political Science (by courtesy), University of Michigan (2004 to 2010).
Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, University of Michigan School of Law (2006).

Leadership

Associate Chair for Graduate Studies, Department of Women's and Gender Studies, University of Michigan (present).
Executive Committee, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, University of Michigan (2023-2025).
Director, Institute for Research on Women and Gender (IRWG), University of Michigan (2017 to 2022).
Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Women's and Gender Studies, University of Michigan (Fall 2019).
Director, Science, Technology, and Society Program, University of Michigan (2017-2018).
Associate Director, Institute for Research on Women and Gender (IRWG), University of Michigan (2014-2017).
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Science, Technology, and Society Program, University of Michigan (2014-2016).
Director of Undergraduate Studies, Women's Studies Department, University of Michigan (2011-2013).

Honors and Awards

Toward an Open Monograph Ecosystem (TOME) Award for Health Care Civil Rights: How Discrimination Law Fails Patients, University of Michigan College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, Michigan Library, and Office of the Vice President for Research, 2024.

Kim Lane Scheppele Collegiate Professorship, University of Michigan College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, 2022.

Michigan Humanities Award, University of Michigan College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, 2022.

Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship, University of Michigan, 2015, renewed 2023.

Class of 1923 Teaching Award, University of Michigan College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, 2010.

Law and Public Affairs Fellowship, Princeton University, 2010-2011.

Faculty Fellow, National Center for Institutional Diversity at the University of Michigan, 2008-2009.

University of Michigan Institute for Research on Women and Gender Faculty Research Award, 2005, 2006.

Monographs

1. Health Care Civil Rights: How Discrimination Law Fails Patients (University of California Press and Luminos Open Access, 2025)

医疗公民权利: 反歧视法如何辜负了患者, Morning Star Press, Hong Kong, China (Chinese translation by Dr. Li Pu, forthcoming in 2026)

2. Vaccine Court: The Law and Politics of Injury (New York University Press, 2016)

Reviewed in *Choice*; *Law and Society Review*; *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*; *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Law and Politics Book Review*; *New Genetics and Society: Critical Studies of Contemporary Biosciences*; *Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences*

3. Fat Rights: Dilemmas of Difference and Personhood (New York University Press, 2008)

Reviewed in *American Journal of Sociology*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Law and Politics Book Review*; *Choice*; *Windsor Yearbook on Access to Justice*; *Trial*; *The Faculty Lounge: Conversations about Law, Culture, and Academia*; *Feminist Review*

Edited Volumes and Special Issues

1. “Unequal Care: Trans Medicine and Health in Dangerous Times,” editor with Stef Shuster and Carla Pfeffer, special issue of *Social Science and Medicine* (October 2024)

2. Research Handbook on Sociolegal Studies of Medicine and Health with co-editor Marie-Andrée Jacob (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2020)
Reviewed in *Medical Law Review*
3. Against Health: How Health Became the New Morality with co-editor Jonathan Metzl (New York University Press, 2010)

Translated into Japanese, German, and Turkish.

Reviewed in *Health: An Interdisciplinary Journal for the Social Study of Health, Illness and Medicine*; *Critical Public Health*; *Fat Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Body Weight and Society*; *Health; Library Journal*

4. Sexual Harassment of Women: Climate, Culture, and Consequences in Academic Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (National Academies Press, 2018). Panel member and co-author.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

1. “When states require fully-insured employers to cover in vitro fertilization (IVF), what do self-insured employers provide?,” senior author with James Dupree (first author), Christina Agostino, Kate Castle, Jane Kitaevich, and Luca Bora, *Journal of Assisted Reproduction and Genetics* (December 2025) Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10815-025-03756-3>
2. “The Student Opportunities for AIDS/HIV Research (SOAR) Program: Promoting Public Health Leadership and Transformation for Undergraduate Students Through a Principles-Driven, Cohort-Based Model,” senior author with Gary Harper, Andrea Bolivar, Heidi Bennett, Leah Neubauer, and Gabriel Johnson (first author), *Frontiers in Public Health*, Vol. 13 (July 2025). 10.3389/fpubh.2025.1601175
3. “Willingness to Pay for in vitro Fertilization: Results from a National Sample of Reproductive-aged Adults in the US,” senior author with Sitara Murali, David Suh, S. Sriram, S., and James M. Dupree (first author), *Journal of Assisted Reproduction and Genetics*, (2025) 10.1007/s10815-025-03539-w. Advance online publication. 10.1007/s10815-025-03539-w
4. Introduction to “Unequal Care: Trans Medicine and Health in Dangerous Times” Special Issue with co-editors stef shuster and Carla Pfeffer, *Social Science and Medicine*, Vol. 359 (October 2024). doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2024.117272
5. “Beyond Law as a Tool of Public Health: Vaccines in Interdisciplinary Sociolegal and Science Studies,” *Annual Review of Law and Social Science*, Vol 19 (October 2023): 179-

194. doi.org/10.1146/annurev-lawsocsci-111522-090534

6. “Analyzing Contracts: State of the Field, Mixed-Methods Guiding Steps, and an Illustrative Example,” senior author with Karra Greenberg (first author, former postdoc), Jane Kitaevich, and Siddarth Chaudhari (Political Science doctoral student co-authors), *Law and Social Inquiry*, Vol 49, Issue 1, pp. 423-450 (February 2024). doi.org/10.1017/lsi.2022.82
7. “When States Require Fully-Insured Employers to Provide Insurance Coverage for In Vitro Fertilization (IVF), Do Self-Insured Employers Follow Suit?,” senior author with James Dupree (first author), Jane Kitaevich, Kate Castle, Sitara Murali, and Luca Bora, *Fertility and Sterility*, Vol, 118, Issue 5 Supplement E40 (October 2022).
https://www.fertstert.org/article/S0015-0282(22)00654-9/fulltext
8. “Health Insurance Rights and Access to Health Care for Trans People: The Social Construction of Medical Necessity,” with Shauhin Talesh and Angela Perone (Sociology doctoral student at submission), *Law and Society Review*, Vol. 55, No. 4 (2021): 539-562. doi.org/10.1111/lasr.12575
9. “Dropdown Rights: Categorizing Transgender Discrimination in Healthcare Technologies,” *Social Science and Medicine*, Vol. 289 (2021). Online ahead of print: doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.114348
10. “Civil Rights as Patient Experience: How Healthcare Organizations Handle Discrimination Complaints,” with Mikell Hyman (Sociology doctoral student, postdoc at the time of submission), *Law and Society Review*, Vol. 55 No. 2 (2021): 273-295. doi.org/10.1111/lasr.12554
11. “Transition Coverage and Clarity in Self-Insured Corporate Health Insurance Benefit Plans,” with Shauhin Talesh and Angela Perone (Sociology doctoral student at submission), *Transgender Health*, Vol. 6 No. 4 (2021). doi.org/10.1089/trgh.2020.0067
12. “The Public’s Role in COVID-19 Vaccination: Human-centered Recommendations to Enhance Pandemic Vaccine Awareness, Access, and Acceptance in the United States,” with Monica Schoch-Spana, Emily Brunson, Rex Long, Alexandra Ruth, Sanjana Ravi, Marc Trotochaud, Luciana Borio, Janesse Brewer, Joseph Buccina, Nancy Connell, Laura Lee Hall, Nancy Kass, Lisa Koonin, Heidi Larson, Brooke Fisher Lu, Saad B. Omer, Walter A. Orenstein, Gregory A. Poland, Lois Privor-Dumm, Sandra Crouse Quinn, Daniel Salmon, and Alexandre White, *Vaccine*, Vol. 39, Issue 40 (2021): 6004-6012. doi: 10.1016/j.vaccine.2020.10.059
13. Introduction and editorship of Symposium issue with David Moran and Angela Perone (Sociology doctoral student at submission), “Child Abuse Evidence: Perspectives from Law, Medicine, Psychology, and Statistics,” *University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform*, Vol. 50 No. 3 (Spring 2017): 669-794. https://repository.law.umich.edu/mjlr/vol50/iss3/4/

14. "Power and Persuasion in the Vaccine Debates: An Analysis of Political Efforts and Outcomes in the States, 1998-2012," with Denise Lillvis (first author, Political Science and Public Health doctoral student at submission) and Anna Frick (undergraduate honors student), *Milbank Quarterly*, Vol. 92, No. 3 (September 2014): 475-508. doi.org/10.1111/1468-0009.12075
15. "What Is Wellness Now?," *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*, Vol. 39, No. 5 (October 2014): 957-970. doi.org/10.1215/03616878-2813647
16. "Critical Approaches to Wellness," *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*, Vol. 39, No. 5 (October 2014): 971-988. doi.org/10.1215/03616878-2813659
17. "Credibility Battles in the Autism Litigation," *Social Studies of Science*, Vol. 42, Issue 2 (April 2012): 237-261. doi.org/10.1177/0306312711435832
18. "The Legitimacy of Vaccine Critics: What's Left after Autism?," *Journal of Health Policy, Politics and Law*, Vol. 37, No. 1 (February 2012): 69-97. doi.org/10.1215/03616878-1496020
19. "'How Do I Bring Diversity?': Race and Class in the College Admissions Essay," with Ben Hansen, *Law & Society Review*, Vol. 45, No. 1 (2011): 103-138. doi.org/10.1111/j.1540-5893.2011.00429.x
20. "The Environmental Account of Obesity: A Case for Feminist Skepticism," *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*, Vol. 36, No. 2 (Winter 2011): 411-436. doi.org/10.1086/655916
21. "Revisiting Rights across Contexts: Fat, Health, and Antidiscrimination Law," *Studies in Law, Politics and Society*, Vol. 48 (Fall 2009): 121-145. doi.org/10.1108/S1059-4337(2009)0000048008
22. "Think of the Hippopotamus: Rights Consciousness in the Fat Acceptance Movement," *Law & Society Review*, Vol. 42, No. 2 (June 2008): 397-431. 10.1111/j.1540-5893.2008.00346.x
23. "What's at Stake in Transgender Discrimination as Sex Discrimination?" *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society*, Vol. 32, No. 1 (Autumn 2006): 83-111. doi.org/10.1086/505543
24. "What's at Stake in Fatness as a Disability?," *Disability Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 26, No. 1 (Winter 2006). <https://dsq-sds.org/article/view/648/825>
25. "Victorious Transsexuals in the Courtroom: A Challenge for Feminist Legal Theory," *Law & Social Inquiry*, Vol. 28, No. 1 (March 2003): 1-37. 10.1111/j.1747-4469.2003.tb00991.x
26. "Representations of Fatness and Personhood: Pro-Fat Advocacy and the Limits and Uses of Law," *Representations*, No. 82 (Spring 2003): 24-51. doi.org/10.1525/rep.2003.82.1.24

Public Scholarship

1. *Health Care Civil Rights* [podcast](#), Business Talk with Deepak Bhatt, June 25, 2026.
2. “Inclusive Excellence in Politically Divided Times,” with Dana Telem, Selwyn O. Rogers, Gilbert Upchurch, and Jeffrey B. Matthews, *Annals of Surgery*, Vol. 283 No. 2 (February 2026) pp. 171-173. doi: 10.1097/SLA.0000000000006985
3. Opinion, “The antivaccine movement threatens health in the US and worldwide,” with Scott L. Greer, *BMJ* 2025; 390:r1383 doi:10.1136/bmj.r1383
4. “RFK Jr.’s plans to overhaul ‘vaccine court’ system would face legal and scientific challenges,” *The Conversation*, August 15, 2025 (over 7500 reads, republished by 23 publishers).
5. [Blog interview](#), “3Q with Anna Kirkland on Health Care Civil Rights: How Discrimination Law Fails Patients” with Alicia M. Walker and the Council for Contemporary Families, July 8, 2025.
6. The Jabot Podcast with Kathryn Rabino, Above the Law. “[A Look at How Law Fails Patients with Anna Kirkland](#),” July 3, 2025.
7. Perspective—“Protecting Care for All—Gender-Affirming Care in Section 1557 and Beyond,” with Megan Lane and Daphna Stroumsa, *New England Journal of Medicine*, Vol. 387, No. 21, pp. 1916-1918 (November 24, 2022). DOI: 10.1056/NEJMp2212586
8. Perspective—“Physicians as Political Pawns — The Texas Directive on Gender-Affirming Care and Other Moves,” *New England Journal of Medicine*, Vol. 386, No. 16, pp. 2161-2164 (June 9, 2022). doi.org/10.1056/NEJMp2203746
9. Perspective, “Health Coverage and Care for Transgender People — Threats and Opportunities,” with Daphna Stroumsa, *New England Journal of Medicine*, 383(25): 2397-2399 (December 12, 2020). doi: 10.1056/NEJMp2032453
10. “Opinion: Use Science to Stop Sexual Harassment in Higher Education,” with Kathryn Clancy and Lilia Cortina, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, 117 (37): 22614-22618 (September 2020). doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2016164117

Book Chapters

1. “Frameworks and Ideologies for Fat Non-Discrimination Rights,” in [Routledge Handbook of Critical Obesity Studies](#), Michael Gard, Darren Powell and José Tenorio, eds. (Routledge, e-book 2021, paper 2022), pp. 361-369. doi.org/10.4324/9780429344824

2. "The Future of Employment Discrimination Research," with Lilia Cortina, Oxford Handbook of Employment Discrimination, Adrienne Colella and Eden King, eds. (Oxford University Press, 2018), pp. 435-442.
3. "Health," with Amanda Grigg (doctoral student and former honors undergraduate), Oxford Handbook of Feminist Theory, Lisa Disch and Mary Hawkesworth, eds. (Oxford University Press, 2016), 326-345.
4. "Childhood Vaccines," in Brent Steel, ed., Science and Politics: An A to Z Guide to Issues and Controversies (Congressional Quarterly Press/Sage Books, 2014), 525-532.
5. "Think of the Hippopotamus: Rights Consciousness in the Fat Acceptance Movement," in The Law & Society Reader II, edited by Erik Larson and Patrick Schmidt (New York University Press, 2014), pp. 361-369.
6. "When Transgendered People Sue and Win: Feminist Reflections on Strategy, Activism, and the Legal Process," in Vivien Labaton and Dawn Lundy Martin, eds., The Fire This Time: Young Feminists and the New Activism (Anchor Books, 2004).

Other Publications

1. Book review of Calling the Shots: Why Parents Reject Vaccines by Jennifer A. Reich (New York University Press, 2016), *American Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 124, No. 1 (July 2018), pp. 237-239.
2. Book review of Raised Right: Fatherhood in Modern American Conservatism by Jeffrey Dudas (Stanford University Press, 2017), *Law and Politics Book Review*, Vol. 28, No. 2 (April 2018), pp. 25-26.
3. Book review of The Beauty Bias: The Injustice of Appearance in Life and Law by Deborah Rhode (Oxford University Press, 2010), *Law & Society Review*, Vol. 45, Issue 3 (September 2011), pp. 798-791.
4. Book review of The Cult of True Victimhood: From the War on Welfare to the War on Terror by Alyson M. Cole (Stanford University Press, 2006) in *Perspectives on Politics*, Vol. 7, Issue 1 (March 2009), pp. 188-89.
5. Book review of Chicano Students and the Courts: The Mexican American Struggle for Educational Equality by Richard R. Valencia (New York University Press, 2008) in *Law and Politics Book Review*, Vol. 19, No. 1 (January 2009), pp. 92-94.
6. "Fat" entry in Susan Burch, ed., Encyclopedia of American Disability History, New York: Facts on File, 2009.

7. Book review of Disability Harassment by Mark C. Weber (New York University Press, 2007) in *The Review of Disability Studies*, Vol. 4, Issue 3 (2008).

Works in Progress

“When Parental Rights Are Policy Wrongs,” Opinion with Denise Lillvis under revise and resubmit at *JAMA Pediatrics*

“Self-Insured Employer Health Coverage and Costs for Outpatient Non-Intensive Psychotherapy,” with Karra Greenberg (postdoc first author), Jane Kitaevich, and Siddarth Chaudhari (Political Science doctoral student co-authors) (article in preparation)

Grants: Awarded

1. Principal Investigator/MPI with Dr. Jim Dupree (Urology, Michigan Medicine): “How Health Insurance Benefit Design Affects Infertility Treatment and Birth Outcomes,” 2024-2029, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), \$3.4 million, 1R01HD113625-01A1.
2. Principal Investigator/MPI with Gary Harper (UM School of Public Health): “Pipeline to Graduate Education and Careers in Behavioral and Social Science Research for URM Undergraduates: Addressing HIV in Sexual and Gender Minority Communities,” 2021-2026 from the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) and Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research (OBSSR), \$1.4 million, 1R25MH126703-01.
3. Principal Investigator: “Pregnancy and Postpartum Support Programs for Women in Prison: Maternal and Neonatal Outcomes,” 2021-2026 from the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), \$230,062, 5R01HD103634-02. R01 subaward from the University of Minnesota (Rebecca Schlafer, Principal Investigator).
4. Collaborator: “Cultural Conceptualizations of Empowerment among Lesbian/Bisexual/Queer (LBQ) Women in Western Kenya: A Participatory Approach to Measure Development,” 2021-2023 (\$100,000) from the UM Center for Global Health Equity Group Challenge Grant program.
5. Principal Investigator: “Cost and Fairness in Insurance Options,” 2019-2020 (\$60,000) from University of Michigan Mcubed with Dr. Vanessa Dalton (Ob-Gyn) and Prof. Sarah Burgard (Sociology, Institute for Social Research). Funded Karra Greenberg’s IRWG postdoctoral fellowship.
6. Co-Principal Investigator with Prof. Sandra Levitsky (Sociology): “Postdoctoral Fellowship in Law, Gender, and Health,” 2018-2020 (\$215,348, #1823629) from the National Science Foundation, Law and Social Sciences. Funded postdoctoral fellow Katharine McCabe, now Assistant Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies at Bucknell University.

7. Principal Investigator: “Organizational Constructions of a New Right,” 2017-2020 (\$354,839, #1654645) from the National Science Foundation, Law and Social Sciences and Science of Organizations.
8. Co-Principal Investigator: “Identifying Gaps, Building Bridges: Fostering Critical Exchange between Sociolegal Studies and Science and Technology Studies,” 2017-2018 (\$48,215, #1656095) from the National Science Foundation, Science, Technology, and Society Program and Law and Social Sciences Program for a May 2018 workshop at Drexel University, Philadelphia with Kelly Joyce, Drexel University Center for Science, Technology, and Society and Sociology and Rose Corrigan, Drexel University Department of Politics and School of Law.
9. Principal Investigator: University of Michigan Associate Professor Research Fund Award, 2012-2014 (\$29,000).
10. Co-Principal Investigator: “Charting the Future of Wellness Research: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Understanding the Future of an Ascendant Population Health Intervention,” 2011-2012 (\$25,000), University of Michigan Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health and Society Scholars Program.
11. Principal Investigator: University of Michigan College of Literature, Science and the Arts, Faculty research grant for “Vaccine Lawsuits and Mobilization,” 2009 (\$6,740).
12. Principal Investigator: University of Michigan National Center for Institutional Diversity (NCID) Faculty Fellow Grant for “The Diversity Essay as Citizenship Preparation,” 2008-2009 (\$20,000).

Grants: Not Funded

1. Principal Investigator/MPI with Dr. Jim Dupree (Michigan Medicine Urology): “Health Insurance Matters: How Benefit Design Shapes Infertility Treatment Decisions and Birth Outcomes,” 2023, National Institutes of Health (NIH) R-01 (\$3.9 million).
2. Principal Investigator/MPI with Dr. Jim Dupree (Michigan Medicine Urology): “Evaluating Insurance Coverage for Fertility Care: What Employers Offer Versus What Employees Want,” American Society for Reproductive Medicine, 2023 (\$625,192).
3. Participating Investigator with specified effort: “EFRI ELiS: Values- and Ethics-Driven Engineering of Living Bio-Hybrid Material Systems to Monitor and Neutralize Airborne Pathogens,” National Science Foundation (Pennsylvania State University), 2022 (\$596,386).
4. Participating Investigator with specified effort (with Professors Andrea Bolivar, Ava Purkiss, and Sara McClelland) Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research (MICHR) Clinical and Translational Science Award Renewal (Co-Principal Investigators Dr. Julie Lumeng and Dr. George Mashour), 2020 (\$62,020,725; \$705,510).

5. Co-Principal Investigator with Dr. Lilia Cortina (Psychology and Women's and Gender Studies), 2020 "Workplace Supervisors and Sexual Harassment: Measuring Myths, Mobilizations, and Their Impacts on Organizations," National Science Foundation (NSF) (\$444,708).

Recent Invited Talks

Keynote Address: "What Is Happening at the Vaccine Court?," California Immunization Coalition Summit, June 4, 2026.

"Vaccine Injury Compensation in the U.S.: Current Practices and Future Prospects," Association of Health Care Journalists webinar, February 12, 2026.

"What is Happening at the Vaccine Court?," National Coalition of Immunization Partners National Conference, October 16, 2025.

"How Health Care Civil Rights Work," Science, Technology and Society Program Colloquium series, University of Michigan, September 8, 2025.

"Far-Reaching Implications of the Changing Legal Climate for Reproductive Health," American Surgical Association, April 25, 2025.

"Transgender Rights and Legal Challenges," *China Law Journal*, invited virtual panel in China with Craig Konnoth and Paisley Currah. March 17, 2025.

"Risky Federalism in the Shadow of the Law: How Governmental Structures in Conflict Create Instability for Abortion Care post-*Dobbs*," Michigan State Medical Society Committee on Bioethics, November 5, 2022.

"The Legal and Political Climate for Transgender Care," Grand Rounds, University of Massachusetts Department of Pediatrics, October 14, 2022.

Penn State University Bioethics Colloquium, "How Discrimination Appears in Healthcare Settings," October 3, 2022.

"Federal and State Update: A Context for Action," Annual Convening of the Societies Consortium on Sexual Harassment, September 20, 2022.

"Who Handles Health Discrimination?: A Socio-legal Investigation," Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine Summer Seminar Series Pride Month speaker, June 9, 2022.

"Transgender Discrimination in Health Care Settings," Program on Women's Healthcare Effectiveness Research, Michigan Medicine Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, May 10, 2022.

William and Mary School of Law, Center for Racial and Social Justice, "Access to Health Care

for Transgender Youth,” April 6, 2022.

“What Do Civil Rights Mean in Hospitals?: Qualitative Research across Law, Medicine, and Sociology,” National Clinical Scholars Program, Michigan Medicine, January 19, 2022.

“Understanding the Vaccine Injury Compensation Court,” Indiana Immunization Coalition, October 7, 2021.

“Sexual Harassment in STEM: A View from the National Academies,” University of Michigan Departments of Astronomy and Physics Joint Colloquium, October 1, 2019.

“Transgender Rights in US Healthcare Organizations,” University of Michigan Science, Technology, and Society Program Speaker Series, December 2, 2019.

“Transgender Rights in US Healthcare Organizations,” Leeds University School of Law (UK), September 16, 2019.

“The Vaccine Court,” Indiana Immunization Coalition, Indianapolis IN, June 13, 2019.

“Together We Can Do Better: Academic Cultures and Sexual Harassment,” University of Michigan Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, April 26, 2019.

“Sexual Harassment: Improving Academia’s Campus Culture and Climate,” Montana State University, March 7, 2019.

Recent Conference Papers, Panels, and Presentations

Author Meets Critics for Health Care Civil Rights: How Discrimination Law Fails Patients, American Political Science Association, Vancouver. September 12, 2025.

“Health Care Civil Rights: How Discrimination Law Fails Patients,” Health Law Professors Conference, Boston. June 5, 2025.

“Troubles with Health Care Civil Rights,” Health Politics and Policy Research Conference, Dartmouth College, May 31, 2025.

Chair and organizer of author meets reader panel for Policing Patients: Treatment and Surveillance on the Frontlines of the Opioid Crisis by Elizabeth Chiarello, Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. May 24, 2025.

“Troubles with Health Care Civil Rights,” Women Law Students Association and Health Law Students Association, University of Michigan School of Law, April 3, 2025.

Invited speaker, Women's History Month Development Community Celebration, University of Michigan. March 26, 2025.

Panelist, Women's History Month: Reproductive Justice, American Civil Liberties undergraduate organization, University of Michigan. March 18, 2025.

"Health Care Civil Rights: Set Up to Fail," American Sociological Association, Montreal. August 12, 2024.

"Health Care Civil Rights: How Discrimination Laws Fail Patients," American Political Science Association, Los Angeles. September 1, 2023.

"When States Require Fully-Insured Employers to Provide Insurance Coverage for In-Vitro Fertilization (IVF), Do Self-Insured Employers Follow Suit?," American Society for Reproductive Medicine, Anaheim. October 25, 2022 (non-presenting author).

"Knowing Rights through Patient Care," American Sociological Association Annual Meeting Refereed Roundtable (virtual). August 9, 2020.

"How Health Insurers Mediate the Meaning of Sex Discrimination Among Transgender and Non-Binary Patients," (with Shauhin Talesh) paper presented at the Law and Society Annual Meeting (virtual). May 30, 2020.

"Dropdown Rights: Categorizing Transgender Discrimination in Healthcare Technologies," Law and Society Annual Meeting (virtual). May 29, 2020.

"#ScienceToo: Addressing Sexual Harassment in Academia and Beyond," American Association for Access, Equity, and Diversity (AAAED) Annual Conference, Indianapolis. June 12, 2019.

"Responding to the NAS Report on Sexual Harassment: Positive Strategies for Change," National Association for College and University Attorneys (NACUA) Annual Conference, Denver. June 25, 2019.

"How Do Health Care Administrators Construct Transgender Patient Rights?," (with Mikell Hyman), Law and Society Annual Meeting, Washington, DC. May 31, 2019.

Teaching at the University of Michigan

WS 111: Gender and Sexuality in U.S. Law (undergraduate seminar)

WS 151: Theories of Rights (freshman seminar)

WS/SOC 270: Gender and the Law (undergraduate lecture course)

WS 308/PS 308: Law and Politics of Sexuality (undergraduate lecture course)

PS 317: Courts, Politics, and Society (undergraduate lecture course)

WS 331: Advanced Gender and Law (undergraduate seminar)

WS 344: Conservatives and Feminists (undergraduate seminar)

WS 402: Gender and Health Policy (undergraduate seminar)

WS 440: Senior Capstone Seminar on Gender Discrimination (required seminar for majors)

WS 441/442: Senior Honors Writing Seminar (undergraduate honors thesis seminar)

Rackham 580: Disability Rights (university-wide graduate seminar)

PS 614: Law and Society Proseminar (graduate seminar)
WS 698: Law and Politics of Identity (graduate seminar, also SOC 595, PS 688)
WS 698: Discrimination Law (graduate seminar, also SOC 595, PS 688)
LAW 472: Health Discrimination (law school seminar)
LAW 840: Law and Politics of Identity (law school seminar)

Doctoral Committees and Trainees

Kirsten Carlson: Political Science, “Do Constitutional Rights Matter?: The Impact of Section 35 on Aboriginal and Treaty Rights in Canada,” 2007.
Carla Pfeffer: Sociology, “Trans(formative) Relationships: What We Learn about Identities, Bodies, Work, and Families from Women Partners of Trans Men,” 2009.
Emily Leskinen: Psychology and Women’s Studies, “Dimensions of Disrespect: Mapping and Measuring Gender Harassment in Organizations,” 2012.
Nathaniel Coleman: Philosophy, “The Duty to Miscegenate,” 2013.
Co-chair, Alex Jakle: Political Science, “Stealing Signs: How Broken Rules Can Help Structure Identity,” 2013.
Jamie Small: Women’s Studies and Sociology, “Trying Male Rape: Legal Renderings of Masculinity, Vulnerability, and Sexual Violence,” 2015.
Amanda Grigg: Political Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, “A Feminist Analysis of Contemporary Women’s Health: How It Works and Who It Works For,” 2015.
Denise Lillvis: Political Science and Public Health, “Not Immune: Politics, Bureaucracy, and the Limits of Professional Autonomy,” 2017.
Jacqueline Antonovich: History, “Medical Utopias: Women Physicians, the Politics of Health, and the Formation of Reproductive Surveillance in the American West and the World, 1870-1930,” 2018.
Zach Schudson: Psychology and Women’s Studies, “Beliefs about gender/sex: Heterogeneity, links to prejudice, and pro-diversity interventions,” 2020.
Clarisse Baudraz: Sociology and Women’s and Gender Studies, WGS 890 Capstone supervisor, “Towards a Feminist Socio-Legal Approach to Gender and Forced Migration: Gendered Categorizations of Persecution, State Responsibility, and the Contested Recognition of Domestic Violence in U.S. Asylum,” 2022.
Breonna Slocum, M.D.: Obstetrics and Gynecology and Clinical Fellow, Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, “Race, Social Class, and Experience Seeking Assisted Reproductive Technologies,” 2024.
Morgan Wofford: School of Information, “Characterizing US Climate Change Skeptics Data Reuse to Generate Insights for Data Repositories and Intermediaries,” 2024-2026.
Abby Smith: Department of Sociology, title TBD, 2026-
Hannah Glick, MD: “Barriers to Care and the Impact of Insurance on Men Seeking Infertility Services,” 2025-

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Supervision

Emily Chaloner: Women’s Studies, “A Never-Ending Chase: Toward a New Understanding of Layered Agency in Prostitution,” 2007.

Laura Pisarello: Women's Studies, "Domestic Violence: New Discourses in Hawaii, New York, and Texas," 2007.

Amanda Grigg: Women's Studies, "Popping the Question: (Do Marriage Promotion Programs Live Up to the Hype?) A Response to Feminist Concerns Over Federal Marriage Promotion," 2009.

Katila Howard, Political Science and Women's Studies, "Parental Experiences with the Early Childhood Education Intervention System in Detroit," 2011.

Katherine Irani: Women's Studies, "Violence and Voicelessness: Experiences of Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence on College Campuses," 2016.

Hanna Simmons: Women's Studies, "Novel Influences on National HPV Vaccination Programs: State Legitimacy and Political Freedom in Rwanda and Romania," 2019.

Periwinkle Keitzman, Women's and Gender Studies, "Institutional Actors and LGBTQ+ Health and Wellness: Exploring How Health Services and Student Affairs Frame LGBTQ+ Students' Health and Wellness Needs on Campus," 2024-2025.

Dina Tedla, "State Responses to the Rape Kit Backlog," Political Science, 2025-2026.

Service

National

Conference organizer, Intercampus North Coast Retreat for Emerging and Advanced Sociolegal Empirical Researchers (INCREASER), held in September 2025 at Pokagon State Park, Indiana.

Editorial Board Member, *Law and Society Review*; *Law and Policy*; *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*; *Fat Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Body Weight and Society*

Panelist, Graduate Student Workshop/Early Career Workshop planning committee for the Law and Society Association 2024 annual meeting

Co-chair, Graduate Student Workshop/Early Career Workshop planning committee for the Law and Society Association 2023 annual meeting

Working Group on Readyng Populations for the COVID-19 Vaccine [NSF-supported through CONVERGE Initiative and the Social Science Extreme Events Research (SSEER)], May-July 2020.

Chair, Herb Jacob Book Prize Committee, Law and Society Association, 2019.

Committee Member, National Academies of Science, Medicine, and Engineering panel on the Impacts of Sexual Harassment in Academia, 2017-2018.

Organizer, Law and Health Collaborative Research Network (CRN), Law and Society Association, 2016-2018.

Scholars Strategy Network (SSN) member since 2016.

National Science Foundation (NSF) panel and ad hoc reviewer (dates omitted).

Open panel organizer: Law and Society Meets STS (two panels), 4S Annual Meeting 2015.

Chair, American Political Science Association Law and Court Section Award Committee for the best graduate student paper, 2014.

Law and Society Association Dissertation Award Committee, 2012.

American Political Science Association Teaching and Mentoring Award Committee, 2012.

Law and Society Association Diversity Committee, 2006-2011.

Panelist on service panel "Entering the Job Market and Succeeding as a Junior Teacher/Scholar" at the 2009 Law and Society meeting.

Coordinator for service panel on mentoring at the 2010 Law and Society Annual meeting.
2008 American Political Science Association Sophonisba Breckenridge Award Committee (for the selection of the best paper on gender and politics presented at the Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting).
Law and Society Faculty Workshop Leader for Graduate Student Activities, 2007 annual meeting.

University of Michigan

Affiliate, Center for History, Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Ethics in Medicine (CHHASSEM), 2026-
Office of the Provost Strategic Initiative Fund (SIF) reviewer, 2026
Executive Committee (Social Science Division), College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (elected from the LSA faculty in 2023), 2023-2025
Distinguished Faculty Achievement Awards Committee (Rackham Graduate School), 2025, 2026
Launch Committee member, Cara Rock-Singer (Judaic Studies), 2024-2025
School of Public Health Mentoring Committee: Heather Tucker (2024-2025)
Post-Roe Working Group, May 2022 to September 2022
Tenure and Promotion Committee member, Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, 2022
Launch Committee member, Professor Paige Sweet (Sociology), 2020-2021
Center for Global Health Equity Internal Advisory Committee (March 2021 to present)
Co-Chair, Working Group for Prevention of Sexual Harassment, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (September 2020 to present)
Member, Ethics and Privacy Committee, appointed by President Mark Schlissel for the campus re-opening in COVID-19 conditions (April 2020 to September 2020)
Member, Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation, University of Michigan (since 2017)
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Implementation Team member, UM Office of Research (2016-2018)
Convener, Presidential Bicentennial Faculty Seminar on Feminist Studies (2016-2017)
Rackham Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award Committee (2017, 2018)
Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship Selection Committee, Office of the Provost (2016)
Rackham Diversity Ally, 2015-2016
Co-Director, Disability Studies Initiative (UMInDS) (2011-2012), Steering Committee Member 2006-2019
Steering Committee Member, SHARP: The Sport, Health and Activity Research and Policy Center for Women and Girls (2011 to 2015)
Office of the Vice President for Research (OVPR) grant reviewer
Fulbright Award Review Committee Member, 2011, 2016
Rackham Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Awards Committee, 2009, 2010, 2017
Rackham International Research Awards (RIRA) Committee, 2009
2005 Constitution Day Committee
Conference organizing committees: *Child Abuse Evidence: New Perspectives from Psychology, Law, Medicine and Statistics* (November 6, 2015); *Neurodiversity: Autism Speaks Back* (March

21, 2013), *Against Health: Resisting the Invisible Morality* (October 12 and 13, 2006), and *The New Politics of Gay Marriage* (October 21, 2004).

Departmental Service

Chair, M-PACT hiring committee, 2024
Chair, Lecturer Interim Review committee, 2024-2025
Symposium Planning Committee, 2024
pro tempore Department Chair for promotion, 2023
Member, Merit review committee, 2024
Member, Tenure and Promotion committee, 2023, 2024, 2025
Chair, Lecturer Review Committee, 2021-2022
Member, Awards Committee, 2021-2022
Director of Graduate Studies, Fall 2019
Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committees, 2019 and 2020
Chair, Gender and Health Lecturer Hiring Committee, 2018-2019
Chair, Third Year Review Committee, 2018-2019
Women's Studies Executive Committee member, 2017-2022
Electronic Newsletter Committee member, 2016-2017
Member, Gender and Health Faculty Search Committee, 2015-2016
Health, Inequality, and Social Justice Joint Faculty Search Committee member with American Culture, 2015-2016
Chair, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2014-2016
Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2011-2013
Women's Studies Program Undergraduate Committee, Winter 2008, 2008-2009, 2014
Women's Studies Program Executive Committee, 2006-2007, 2008-2009, 2011-2014
Graduate Certificate Committee member, 2005-2006
Law and Politics Search Committee member, Department of Political Science, 2005-2006
Graduate Student Hiring Committee member, 2004-2005, 2006
MacGuigan Essay Award Committee member, 2004-2005

Science, Technology, and Society Program

Director, 2017-2018
Steering Committee member, 2014 to present
Undergraduate Director, 2014-2016

Visiting Scholar Appointments

University of Leeds School of Law, UK. September 15-21, 2019.
Princeton University, Law and Public Affairs Fellow. 2010-2011.
Feminist Legal Theory Project, Emory University School of Law. September 10-14, 2007.
Centre for Law, Gender and Sexuality, University of Kent School of Law, Keele University School of Law, and University of Westminster School of Law (UK). September 24-October 10, 2007.

Professional Memberships

Law and Society Association (Collaborative Research Networks: Law and Health, Law and Social Movements, Feminist Legal Theory)
American Political Science Association (Section memberships: Law and Courts, Health Politics and Policy, Women Gender and Politics)
American Sociological Association (Section memberships: Sex and Gender, Medical Sociology, Sociology of Law and Science, Knowledge and Technology)
Society for the Social Studies of Science (4S)
American Society for Reproductive Medicine (ASRM)
American Society for Law, Medicine, and Ethics

Manuscript Reviews

American Political Science Review
American Journal of Sociology
Law & Society Review
Law & Social Inquiry
Sociology of Health and Illness
Social Science and Medicine
Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society
Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law
JAMA Health Forum
Science, Technology, and Human Values
Law and Policy
Feminist Theory
BioSocieties
PS: Political Science and Politics
Social Problems
Contemporary Sociology
Law, Medicine, and Ethics
Fat Studies
Politics & Gender
Law, Culture & the Humanities
National Women's Studies Association Journal
Studies in Law, Politics, and Society
Organizational Studies
Journal of Sex Research
Reproduction and Fertility
Social Work in Public Health
The International Journal of Discrimination and the Law
Routledge Press
New York University Press
Oxford University Press
University of Illinois Press

Advisory Board Member, New York University Press Series “Health, Society, and Inequality”

Expert Witness

Claire v. Florida Department of Management Services (2020), expert report and deposition for the plaintiffs on insurance exclusions for gender affirming health care under Florida’s state employee benefit health plan.

DeBoer v. Snyder (2014), expert report for the plaintiffs on political science and constitutional law in a challenge to Michigan’s ban on marriage for same sex couples.