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2009- Joint Appointment, Epidemiology, Rollins School of Public Health
2017-2022 Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Sociology
2009- Director, Religion and Public Health Collaborative
2010- Senior Faculty, Center for Ethics
2011- Affiliated Faculty, Graduate Division of Religion
Emory University

PREVIOUS POSITION Professor of Sociology, Rutgers University
2007-2008 Core Faculty, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research
2000-2006 Acting Dean for Social and Behavioral Sciences, School of Arts and Sciences
2000 Chair, Department of Sociology
1999 Undergraduate Director, Department of Sociology
1998-2009 Visiting Professor, University of Copenhagen, Institute of Public Health
1991-1998 Professor I, Department of Sociology
1985-1991 Associate Professor, Department of Sociology
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EDUCATION

1979-1985 Yale University, Department of Sociology
Ph.D. 1985 Committee: Jerome Myers, Chair; Lisa Berkman, Blair Wheaton
Dissertation: "Cohesiveness and Coherence: Religion and the Health of the Elderly"
M.Phil. 1982

1975-1976 Rutgers University, Department of Sociology
M.A. 1976 Peter Berger, Adviser
Master's Paper: "Protestant Asceticism and Historical Calvinism:
The Construction of an Ideal Type"

1974-1975 Union Theological Seminary, New York

1970-1974 College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio
B.A. with Honors in Sociology, 1974

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2020	Matilda White Riley Distinguished Scholar Award, American Sociological Association Section on Aging and the Life Course
2016	Faculty Teaching Award, Department of Sociology, Emory University
2013	Samuel Candler Dobbs Chair in Sociology, Emory University
2011	Millipub Award for Emory University Faculty with a Publication with 1000+ ISI Citations
2007-08	Fellow, Center for Cultural Analysis, Rutgers University
2007	Invited Member, Sociological Research Association
2004	Citizenship and Service Education (CASE) Faculty Award, Rutgers University
2001	Elected Fellow, Gerontological Society of America
1999	Danish Medical Research Council Award to Panum Institute, University of Copenhagen School of Medicine, for Visiting Teaching and Research Faculty
1998	John Templeton Foundation Exemplary Papers Prize for Outstanding Paper in Religion and the Behavioral Sciences
1998	Distinguished Contribution to Undergraduate Education Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University
1988-1993	First Independent Research Support and Transition Award #R29 AG07480-01 National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health
1983-1984	Charlotte W. Newcombe Fellowship Woodrow Wilson Foundation
1980-1983	Pre-Doctoral Fellowship in Mental Health Services Training and Research National Institutes of Mental Health
1979-1980	Yale University Fellowship
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2019-21 Co-Investigator (Tammie Quest, M.D., Principal Investigator)
 "Palliative Care Education for Undergraduates"
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 Total costs: \$278,250

2019 Principal Investigator
 "Educational Materials for Advance Care Planning in African American Congregations"
 Center for Practical Bioethics and John and Wuana Harman Foundation
 Total costs: \$18,000

2012-13 Co-Investigator (Tammie Quest, M.D., Principal Investigator)
 "Impact of Hospital-Based Chaplain Support on Decision-Making During Serious Illness in a
 Diverse Urban Palliative Care Population"

- Templeton Foundation / Healthcare Chaplaincy
Total costs: \$250,000
- 2010-15 Co-Investigator (Theodore Johnson II, M.D., Principal Investigator)
Atlanta Regional Geriatric Education Center
Emory University, Morehouse School of Medicine, Georgia State University
Health Research Services Administration Grant No. UB4HP19215-01-00
Direct costs: \$400,000 per year
- 2004-09 Co-Investigator (Howard Leventhal, Ph.D., Principal Investigator)
"Center for the Study of Health Beliefs and Behavior"
National Institute on Aging Mind Body Center, Grant No. 5 R24 AG 023958
"End of Life Decision-Making" Co-Principal Investigator
"Expert Systems" Co-Principal Investigator
Direct costs: \$4,500,000
- 2004-05 Co-Investigator, (Deborah Carr, Ph.D., Principal Investigator)
"End-of-Life Decision-Making"
Fetzer Institute
- 2002-2003 Principal Investigator
"Proposal for Joint Rutgers University - UMDNJ RWJ Medical School NIH
Predoctoral MD - PhD Training Grant"
Reinvest in Rutgers
Total costs: \$30,800
- 2000-2004 Co-Investigator (Richard Contrada, Ph.D., Principal Investigator)
"Religion, Aging, and Adaptation to Open-Heart Surgery"
National Institute on Aging, Grant No. 1 R01 AG 16750
Direct costs \$1,491,008
- 1998-1999 Co-Investigator (Howard Leventhal, Ph.D., Principal Investigator)
"Geriatric Depression in Primary Care"
National Institute of Mental Health
Rutgers University Center for Research on the Organization and Financing of
Care for the Severely Mentally Ill, Principal Investigator David Mechanic, Ph.D.
- 1997-1998 Co-Investigator (Richard Contrada, Ph.D., Principal Investigator)
"Religion and Spirituality in Recovery from Cardiac Surgery"
Fetzer Institute, Supplemental Funding for NIA R03 AG 15160
Direct costs: \$20,000
- 1997-1998 Co-Investigator (Richard Contrada, Ph.D., Principal Investigator)
"Religion and Spirituality in Recovery from Cardiac Surgery"
National Institute on Aging, Grant No. 1 R03 AG 15160
Direct costs for one year: \$49,956
- 1994-1997 Principal Investigator
"Epidemiology of Self-Rated Health and Functional Ability"
National Institute on Aging, Grant No. 1 R01 AG11567
Direct costs for three years: \$244,528

- 1993-1997 Co-Investigator (Howard Leventhal, Ph.D. Principal Investigator)
Center for Research on Health Promotion in Older Minority Populations
"Health Beliefs in Elderly African Americans"
National Institute on Aging, Grant No. 1 P20 AG 12072
Direct and indirect costs for Center: \$291,948
- 1988-1993 Principal Investigator
First Independent Research Support and Transition Award
"Epidemiology of Chronic Pain and Self-Rated Health"
National Institute on Aging, Grant No. AG 07480
Direct and indirect costs for five years: \$513,964

INVITED LECTURES

- 2021 "Religion and Aging in the Global Context of Secularization: Patterns, Processes, Consequences" Keynote Lecture, European Conference on Religion, Spirituality, and Health. Lisbon, Portugal, May 2020 (cancelled) (rescheduled online May 2021)
- 2021 "Religion and Public Health: Partners or Opponents?" Senior University of Georgia, April 2021
- 2021 "Sacred Work in the Ebola Crisis in West Africa, 2014-15" Sacred Work Webinar, Spiritual Health at Emory Healthcare, March 2021
- 2020 "The Broad Street Pump, Call the Midwife, and the Ebola Crisis: Partnerships in Religion and Public Health" David M. Larson Memorial Lecture, School of Medicine, Duke University, March 2020 (cancelled) (rescheduled online March 2021)
- 2020 "Partnerships in Religion and Public Health: Lessons from the Past to Guide in the Present" University of California Berkeley Seminar on Spirituality, Religion, and Public Health, October 2020
- 2020 "Religion and Aging: Mortality in the Context of Secularization" Geriatrics and Gerontology Grand Rounds, Emory University School of Medicine, September 2020
- 2020 "Religion and COVID-19: Teaching and Research" American Academy of Religion webinar, April 2020
- 2020 "Religion as a Social Determinant of Health: Population-Based Research" Rehabilitation Medicine Grand Rounds, Emory University School of Medicine, February 2020
- 2020 "Religion and Public Health" Emory University Provost Faculty Forum. April 2020 (cancelled)
- 2019 "Religion, Aging, and Health Disparities" University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM
- 2018 "Religion, the Invisible Determinant of Health" Keynote for Conference on Religion and Public Health, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
- 2017 "Practices, Populations, Partnerships and Politics" Keynote for Conference on Religion/Spirituality as a Social Determinant of Health, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, NY
- 2017 "'...a multitude of years should teach wisdom' (Job 32:7): Age-Related Patterns in Religious Observance and Importance" Conference on Spirituality in Later Life, Washington, DC
- 2017 "Religion and Public Health: Where the Fields Meet" Keynote for "Going Viral: Religion and Health" Boston University Graduate Conference on Religion, Boston, MA
- 2017 "Expressing Creativity Later in Life Through the Visual Arts: Lifelong Painters in Old Age" Geriatric Advanced Practice Nurses Association, Atlanta, GA
- 2017 "Religion and Social Justice" Panel discussion for Humphrey Fellows Annual Conference, Emory University
- 2017 "Religion: An Overlooked Determinant of Health" Senior University, Lawrenceville, GA
- 2017 "Religion: A Predictor of Adult Mortality Comparable to Other Social Determinants of Health" Religion and Health Roundtable, Emory University
- 2017 "Religion: A Predictor of Adult Mortality Comparable to Other Social Determinants of Health" Social Determinants of Health Interest Group, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University
- 2016 "Faith and Religion: Their Surprising Impact on Medicine, Health Care, and Aging" Brenau University, Braselton, GA

- 2016 "Aging, Mortality, and the Perception of Health" Otolaryngology Grand Rounds, Emory University Hospital Midtown, Atlanta, GA
- 2016 "Writing Discussion Sections" Project L/EARN, Rutgers University
- 2016 "Practices, Populations, Partnerships, and Politics: Religion as a Social Determinant of Health" Hillsborough Reformed Church, Millstone, NJ
- 2015 "Perceptions of Individual Health and Public Health: Is Religion a Social Determinant?" University Ca' Foscari, Venice, Italy
- 2015 "Religion and Public Health: Practices, Peoples, Partnerships, and Politics" Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Public Health Ethics Lunch Club, Atlanta, GA
- 2014 "Religion as a Social Determinant of Health" Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
- 2014 "Religion and Public Health: Making the Invisible Visible" Emeritus College, Emory University, Atlanta, GA
- 2014 "Impact of Hospital-Based Chaplain Support on Decision-Making During Serious Illness in a Diverse Urban Palliative Care Population" with George Grant and Molly Perkins, Health Care Chaplaincy Conference, New York Academy of Medicine, New York, NY
- 2014 "Religion as a Social Determinant of Public Health" Rand Corporation, Santa Monica, CA
- 2013 "Religion as a Social Determinant of Public Health" Sociocontextual Determinants of Health Colloquium, Rollins School of Public Health
- 2013 "Faith and Public Health" First United Methodist Church, Decatur, GA
- 2013 "Spirituality and Aging" Georgia Chapter of the Geriatric Advanced Practice Nursing Association, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2013 "The Emory University Senior Mentor Program" Georgia Chapter of the Geriatric Advanced Practice Nursing Association, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2012 "Sacred Cycles: Religious Practice in Old Age" Catholic Business Persons Luncheon, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2012 "Religious Ritual and Practice in Old Age" Spiritual Dimensions of Ageing – A Symposium, Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, England
- 2012 "Putting the Public in Religion and Health" Harvard School of Public Health, Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 2012 "Self-Rated Health and Your Health" Yesilbahar Lions Kulübü Dernigi, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2012 "Global Ratings of Health: Patient and Physician Perspectives in Primary Care" Geriatrics and Gerontology Grand Rounds, Emory University School of Medicine and Center for Health in Aging, Atlanta, GA
- 2011 "Religion and Health: A Public Health Perspective" Veterans' Administration and Department of Defense Chaplaincy Summit, Hotel Sofitel, Washington, DC
- 2011 "Mending Broken Hearts: Marriage and Mortality following Cardiac Surgery" School of Public Health, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2011 "Religion and Public Health at Emory" Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing Research Roundtable
- 2011 "Gender and Gerontology: The Thread that Runs through Everything" Feminist Legal Theory Workshop Conference on Aging as a Feminist Concern, Emory University School of Law, Atlanta, GA
- 2010 "Living Well: Faith and Health for the 21st Century" Oak Grove United Methodist Church, Decatur, GA
- 2010 "Physician-Patient Agreement on Global Ratings of Health: More Perceived than Real?" Emory University Emeritus College, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2010 "Religiously-Influenced End of Life Decision-Making: Finding the Context" Beliefs and Barriers Conference Keynote, Emory University Center for Ethics, Atlanta, GA
- 2010 "What makes research on religion and public health different from research on religion and medicine?" Emory University Religion and Public Health Inaugural Lecture, Atlanta, GA
- 2009 "What makes research on religion and public health different from research on religion and medicine?" University of Colorado at Boulder Population Center, Boulder, CO
- 2009 "Religion and Aging in Communities of Memory" Aging and Spirituality Series Annual Address, Holy Cross College, Worcester, Massachusetts.

- 2008 “The ‘Black Box’ of Religious Attendance and Quality of Life” Religion Research Conference, Baylor Institute for the Studies of Religion, and the Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC
- 2008 “Religion and Health in Aging Societies: Reaping What is Sown” Plenary Address. First Annual Meeting, Center for Spirituality, Theology, and Health, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina
- 2008 “Perceiving Function, Perceiving Health” Conference on Comparable Measurement of Functional Health, Harvard Initiative for Global Health and Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, Seattle, Washington
- 2008 “Looking inside the ‘Black Box’ of Religious Attendance” Center for Spirituality, Theology, and Health, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina
- 2008 “Perceiving Health Globally” Keynote Address, 26th Annual SEUSS Conference, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2007 “Religion and Health: Thinking about Pathways and Pathways of the Thinking” Grand Rounds, Department of Preventive Medicine, Rush University Medical School, Chicago, Illinois
- 2007 “Spirituality and Religious Involvement in Traumatic Brain Injury: State of the Science” Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Community Integration of Persons with Traumatic Brain Injury, National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research State of the Science Conference, Washington, DC
- 2006 “Self-Rated Health Research: Past, Present, and an Open Window to the Future” Health Psychology Faculty Club Lecture, University of Leiden, The Netherlands
- 2006 “Self-Rated Health Research: Past, Present, and an Open Window to the Future” Danish Graduate School in Public Health Science, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2006 “Self-Rated Health Research: A Story with Legs” Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research Brown Bag Series, Rutgers University, New Jersey
- 2006 “Religiousness and Spirituality as Community Resources for Aged Persons with Chronic Illness” Cornell Institute for Translational Research on Aging, New York, NY
- 2006 “Religion and Public Health: From C.-E.A Winslow to the Needs of an Aging Society” UMDNJ School of Public Health, New Brunswick, NJ
- 2006 “Health Services Needs of the Aging Population” Post-baccalaureate Prehealth Program, University College, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
- 2006 “Current Research on Self Rated Health: Where Do We Go From Here?” Institute on Aging, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
- 2006 “Religion and Aging: We Reap What We Sow” Health and Life Course Seminar, Pennsylvania State University
- 2006 “Religion and Health: The Continuing Usefulness of Early Insights” Department of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania
- 2005 “Religion and Health: Reaping What We Sow” Keynote address. Wheat Ridge Foundation 100th Anniversary Conference, Denver, Colorado
- 2004 “Religion, Spirituality, and Health: What Do We Know?” Keynote address. University of Miami conference on “Spirituality and Religion in the 21st Century: Implications for Culture, Education, and Health”, Miami, FL
- 2003 “In Sickness but not in Health?: Self-Ratings, Identity, and Mortality” Keynote address. International Society of Quality of Life Research Meetings, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2003 “Religion and Health: Historical Perspectives, NIH Research, and Implications for Practice” Public Health Seminar Series, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ
- 2003 “Religion and Physical Health: Historical Perspectives and Current NIH Research” Keynote address. Natcher Center, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD
- 2003 “Religion and Health: What Do We Know and What Should We Do About It?” Brown Bag Seminar Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
- 2003 “Religion, Aging, and Spirituality” LeFeber Winter Series on Aging Sealy Center on Aging, University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, TX
- 2002 “The Special Role of Religion for the Disabled and Dying Elderly: Research and Policy Implications” American Public Health Association, Philadelphia, PA
- 2002 “Religious Practices and Beliefs at the End of Life: Perspectives for Physicians” University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ

- 2001 "Self-Rated Health in Epidemiological Surveys as a Predictor of Disability and Mortality" Contributed Online Lecture to World Health Organization Supercourse - "Epidemiology, the Internet, and Global Health" <http://www.pitt.edu/~super1>
- 2001 "Measuring Religion in Health Research"
World Congress of Epidemiology, Toronto, Canada
- 2001 "The Importance of Religious Practices and Beliefs at the End of Life"
Yale University School of Medicine, Epidemiology and Public Health Program on Aging Seminar
- 2001 "Self-Ratings of Health: Are They Culturally Relative or Not?"
Fordham University Hispanic Mental Health Center, New York
- 2000 "Patterns of Religiousness & Spirituality in the Last Year of Life"
Spirituality Research Symposium, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 2000 "Spirits, Minds, Bodies: Faith, Science, and Public Health"
Hubert Lecture, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1999 "Mortality and Religious Involvement: A Review and Critique of the Results, the Methods, and the Measures" Panel Discussant
Harvard University Faculty Club, Cambridge, Massachusetts
- 1999 "Religion and Health to the End of Life"
Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, New York
- 1999 "Gender Differences in Self-Rated Health, Well-Being, and Mortality"
Institute for Public Health, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1999 "The Enduring Significance of Self-Ratings of Health."
Danish Society for General Practice, Panum Institute, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1999 "Self-Ratings of Health in International Studies"
Glostrup University Hospital, Glostrup, Denmark
- 1999 "The Enduring Significance of Self-Ratings of Health"
Lunds University, Malmö, Sweden
- 1998 "Imagine Yourselves"
Convocation Address, Rutgers College Class of 2002
- 1996 "The Indispensability of Self-Ratings of Health"
Guys Hospital, London, England
- 1996 "'...and the least tincture of the love of God': Religion and the Lives of the Disabled Elderly"
Department of Social Sciences, Oxford University, England
- 1996 "Contributions of Social Structure and Subjective Perceptions to Health"
Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research 10th Anniversary Conference
New Brunswick, New Jersey
- 1996 "Religion among the Disabled and Nondisabled Elderly"
Princeton-Rutgers Conference on the Sociology of Culture, Princeton, New Jersey
- 1995 "Self-Rated Health: Research Findings and Implications for Future Research and Practice"
Joint Meeting of Danish Society for General Practice and Danish Society for Psychosocial Medicine
University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1995 "The Enduring Significance of Self-Ratings of Health"
Duke University Center on Aging Distinguished Lectureship, Durham, North Carolina
- 1995 Invited Participant, "Methodological Approaches to the Study of Religion, Aging and Health"
NIA/Fetzer Institute Conference on Religion, Spirituality, and Health, Bethesda, Maryland
- 1993 "Self-Ratings of Health: Mortality, Morbidity, and Meaning"
National Center for Health Statistics, Hyattsville, Maryland
- 1993 "Self-Assessed Health, Mortality, and Morbidity"
Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research, Nemaconlin, Pennsylvania
- 1991 "The Timing of Deaths among the Elderly around Religious Holidays"
Faculty Seminar Series, Columbia University
- 1991 "Aging is a Woman's Issue"
Celebration of Our Work IX Conference, Douglass College
- 1991 "Self-Assessed Health and Mortality"

- Internal Medicine Colloquium
Robert Wood Johnson - UMDNJ Medical School, New Brunswick, New Jersey
- 1989 "Why Do Self-Evaluations of Health Status Predict Mortality?"
Philadelphia Geriatric Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 1986 "Religion and the Health of the Elderly"
Princeton University Department of Religion Colloquium

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

- 2020 "Henry Whitehead and the 1854 Cholera Epidemic" Conference on Religion and Medicine, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio (cancelled) (rescheduled March 2021)
- 2020 "Race, Religion and Mortality in the Health and Retirement Study" Gerontological Society of America, November 2020
- 2020 "Vern Bengtson Tribute" Gerontological Society of America, November 2020
- 2019 Panel on Pew Research Center report, "Religion's Relationship to Happiness, Civic Engagement, and Health Around the World" Association for the Sociology of Religion, New York, NY
- 2019 "Religion and Public Health" Conference on Religion and Medicine, Duke University, Durham, NC
- 2018 "Religion and Aging in the Context of Secularization" Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA
- 2017 "Religion: A Predictor of Mortality Comparable to Other Social Determinants of Health" Southern Sociological Society, Greenville, SC
- 2016 "Ingenious Institutions in Religion and Aging" Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA
- 2016 "Why isn't religion more widely recognized and studied as a social determinant of health?"
Advancing the Demographic Study of Religion, Pew Research Center, Washington, DC
- 2015 "Religion, Public Health, and Ebola Roundtable" American Academy of Religion, Atlanta, GA
- 2015 "What do we rate when we rate our health? Decomposing age-related contributions to self-ratings of health" Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, Florida
- 2015 "Religion as an Invisible Determinant of Health: Its Role in Shaping Life Conditions and in Ongoing Epidemics" International Conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2014 "Religion as a Social Determinant of Public Health" American Public Health Association, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 2014 "Religion and Health through the Life Course" American Public Health Association, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 2014 "Religion as a Social Determinant of Public Health" American Academy of Religion, San Diego, California
- 2013 "Selecting, Optimizing, and Compensating: Painters in Old Age" Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 2012 "Religious Ritual and Practice in Old Age" Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, California
- 2012 "The Emory University Senior Mentor Program" Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, California
- 2011 "Understanding Physician-Patient Differences in Global Ratings of Health" Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2011 "Ladder Mentoring and the GSA Mentoring Task Force" Gerontological Society of American, Boston, Massachusetts
- 2011 "Lifelong Painters in Old Age: Selecting, Optimizing, Compensating" (with Philip Ayers) Conference on Creativity through the Life Course, International Psychoanalytic Association, Emory University Conference Center, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2010 "Religious Influence on Avoiding End-of-Life Decision-Making" Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 2009 "Physician-Patient Agreement on Global Ratings of Health: More Perceived than Real?" Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, Georgia
- 2009 "Consistencies and Inconsistencies in Suicide Rates in Midlife" American Sociological Association, San Francisco, California

- 2008 “Mending Broken Hearts: Marriage and Survival following Cardiac Surgery” Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, Maryland
- 2007 “Quality of Life in the Last Year: The Role of Religion” Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, California
- 2007 Presidential Symposium Organizer, “Families, Caregiving, and Living Arrangements around the World” Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, California
- 2007 Presidential Symposium Organizer, “Is the Compression of Morbidity a Worldwide Phenomenon?” Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, California
- 2007 “Looking inside the ‘Black Box’ of Attendance at Services” American Sociological Association, New York (with David Boulifard, May Chen, Erich Labouvie, and Richard Contrada)
- 2006 Symposium Organizer and Discussant, “Can Aging Populations Help Us Have a Better Understanding of the Nature of Depression?” Gerontological Society of America, Dallas, TX
- 2006 “Self-Ratings of Health: Simple Judgments, Complex Meanings” Society of Experimental Social Psychology Conference, Philadelphia, PA
- 2005 “Dimensions of Religiousness and Dimensions of Depression: Focus on Attendance at Services” Poster. Gerontological Society of America, Orlando, FL (with David Boulifard, Erich Labouvie, and Richard Contrada)
- 2005 “The Sociology of Aging and the Sociology of Religion” American Sociological Association Meetings, Philadelphia, PA
- 2005 “Does Religion Play a Role in Public Policy for the Aging? Plenty of Ironies” Eastern Sociological Society Meetings, Washington, DC
- 2004 “Religion, Stress, and Smoking: Considering New Linkages” Gerontological Society of America, Washington, DC (with Richard Contrada and May Chen)
- 2004 “Religion and Cardiovascular Mortality: The Power of Regulating Multiple Risk Factors” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA
- 2004 “Religion, Smoking, and Stress” Ninth International Conference on Social Stress Research, Montreal, Canada
- 2002 “Impact of Religious Observance and Beliefs at the End of Life” Gerontological Society of America, Boston
- 2002 “The Study of Self-Rated Health in the Context of Different Cultures II: Eastern Nations” Discussant, Gerontological Society of America, Boston
- 2001 “Self-Rated Health - The Next Generation of Research: Outcomes and Moderators” Symposium Organizer and Discussant, Gerontological Society of America, Chicago
- 2001 “Differential Predictive Ability of Self-Rated Health: Comparing Mortality Hazards in NHEFS Diagnostic Groups” Gerontological Society of America, Chicago (with Julie McLaughlin, Howard Leventhal, Elaine Leventhal)
- 2000 “Self-Ratings of Health in the Last Year of Life: Evidence from the Glostrup 1914 Cohort Study” Poster Gerontological Society of America Meetings, Washington, DC (with Julie McLaughlin)
- 2000 “Religion at the End of Life” American Sociological Association, Washington, DC
- 1999 “The NIA/Fetzer Measure of Religiousness and Spirituality: Background and Findings from the General Social Survey” Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, California (with M. Musick and the Working Group)
- 1999 “Durkheim’s Legacy: Religion and the Preservation of Health” Symposium Organizer American Sociological Association, Chicago, Illinois
- 1998 “Patterns of Religiousness and Spirituality in the Last Year of Life” Gerontological Society of America, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (with S. Kasl)
- 1998 “The Meanings of Ratings: A Qualitative and Quantitative Approach to Self-Rated Health” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, California
- 1998 “Our Help in Ages Past: Is Religion Still a Source of Help in Times of Stress?” 7th International Conference on Social Stress, Budapest, Hungary
- 1997 “Self-Assessments of Health: The Next Stage of Studies” Symposium Organizer Gerontological Society of America, Cincinnati, Ohio

- 1996 "Semi-Structured Approaches to Structured Items: The Example of Self-Rated Health"
Gerontological Society of America, Washington, DC
- 1995 "Religious Involvement as a Predictor of the Course of Disability"
Gerontological Society of America, Los Angeles, California (with Stanislav Kasl)
- 1995 "Two Views on Self-Assessed Health - A Predictor of Mortality"
American Psychological Association, New York, New York (with Y.Benyamini, H.Leventhal)
- 1995 "Factors in Estimates of Subjective Life Expectancy: Self-Rated Health and Family Longevity"
American Sociological Association, Washington, D.C. (with Sharon Cook)
- 1994 "Religion, Health, and Sense of Self among the Elderly: Three Views"
Gerontological Society of American Meetings, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1994 "Self-Reported Health and Function"
American College of Epidemiology, Arlington, Virginia
- 1994 "Religion and Nonphysical Senses of Self"
Southern Sociological Association Meetings, Raleigh, North Carolina
- 1993 "Self-Assessments of Health as Predictors of Change in Functional Ability"
Gerontological Society of America Meetings, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1992 "Age Differences in Self-Assessments of Health: Age Changes, Cohort Differences, or Survivorship?"
Gerontological Society of America Meetings, Washington, D.C.
- 1992 "Effects of Self-Rated Health and Depression on Recovery of Physical Functioning in Older People After Hospitalization" (with Victoria Wilcox and Stanislav Kasl)
Gerontological Society of America Meetings, Washington, D.C.
- 1990 Discussant, "Self-Care and Informal Care" Session
American Sociological Association Meetings, Washington, D.C.
- 1989 Organizer, "Religion and Mental Health" Session
American Public Health Association Meetings, Chicago, Illinois
- 1989 "Self-Evaluated Health and Mortality among the Elderly"
American Sociological Association Meetings, San Francisco, California
- 1988 Discussant, "Religion and Mental Health" Session
American Public Health Association Meetings, Boston, Massachusetts
- 1987 Moderator, "Health Care for the Elderly" Conference
Gerontology Institute of New Jersey, New Brunswick, New Jersey
- 1987 "Self-Assessment of Health as a Predictor of Mortality: EPESE Collaborative Study Results" (with Stanislav Kasl)
American Public Health Association Meetings, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1986 "Religious Involvement and the Health of the Elderly"
American Sociological Association Meetings, New York
- 1985 "Private Protestant Ethics and '...and Ladies of the Club'"
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion meetings, Savannah, Georgia
- 1985 "Religious Involvement and Depression Among the Elderly"
Association for the Sociology of Religion Meetings, Washington, D.C.
- 1983 "Moral Medicine: The Shakers' Herbal Healing System"
Tenth Annual Historic Communal Societies Conference, New Harmony, Indiana
- 1982 "Social Networks: The Oldest and Newest Concept in Social Health Research"
Department of Health and Human Services Applied Statistics Training Institute, Montreal, Canada
- 1975 "Catholic Women Seeking Abortion: An Analysis of a Social Act"
Society for the Study of Social Problems Meetings, New York

PUBLIC MEDIA

RESEARCH ON RELIGION

Atlanta Journal Constitution, Huffington Post, Georgia Public Broadcasting, Religion News Service, New Brunswick (NJ) Home News, Newark Star-Ledger, WCTC, Bridgewater Courier News, Jewish Horizon, Brain/Mind Bulletin, religiousstudiesproject.com, The Whole Health Cure podcast

RESEARCH ON SELF-RATED HEALTH

Kaiser Health News, New York Times, CNN, WABC Bob Grant Show, Der Spiegel, Hearst Business Communications, CBS San Francisco, Self Magazine, Minneapolis Star-Tribune, Saturday Evening Post, Reader's Digest, Baltimore Sun

EDITORIAL BOARDS

Editorial Board, *Palliative Care & Social Practice*, 2019-2022.

Special Section Editor, "Partnerships in Religion and Public Health" *American Journal of Public Health*, March 2019.

Editorial Board, *Innovation in Aging*, 2019-2020

Associate Editor, *Handbook of Aging and the Social Sciences*, 9th Edition. Elsevier Press. 2017-2021.

Academic Editor, *PLoS ONE*, 2017-2022

Editorial Board, *Religion, Spirituality, and Health: A Social Scientific Approach* Book Series, Springer, 2014-

Editorial Board, *Journal of Aging and Health* 2007-

Editorial Board, *Sociological Forum* 2007-2010

International Advisory Board, *Kakovostna Starost* (Slovenian Journal of Gerontology) 2006-

Editorial Board, *American Journal of Sociology* 2005-2007

Editorial Board, *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 1994-97; 2006-09; 2018-2020

Editorial Board, *Journal of Health and Social Behavior* 1992-94; 1996-98; 2005-07; 2013-2015

Editorial Board and Press Council, Rutgers University Press 2002-2006, 2006-2009

Guest Editor, Special Issue of *Research on Aging*, 1999 on "Self-Ratings of Health: The Next Stage of Studies"

Editorial Board, Special Issue of *Journal of Health Psychology*, 1999 on "Spirituality and Health"

PEER REVIEWER

American Journal of Epidemiology

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

American Journal of Public Health

American Journal of Sociology

American Sociological Review

Anthropology & Aging Quarterly

Archives of Internal Medicine

Behavior, Health and Aging

BioMed Central

BMC Public Health

Cardiovascular Drugs and Therapy

Contemporary Jewry

European Journal of Aging

The Gerontologist

Gerontology

Health Psychology

Health Services Research

International Journal for the Psychology of Religion

International Journal of Aging and Human

Development

International Journal of Behavioral Medicine

International Journal of Epidemiology

International Journal of Health Sciences

International Journal of Psychiatry in Medicine

International Quality of Life Research

Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion

Journal of Abnormal Psychology

Journal of Aging and Health

Journal of Behavioral Medicine

Journal of Clinical Epidemiology

Journal of Clinical Oncology

Journal of Diabetes and its Complications

Journal of General Internal Medicine

Journal of Health Psychology

Journal of Health and Social Behavior

Journal of Religion and Health

Journal of Women's Health

Journal of Social Work in Disability & Rehabilitation

Journals of Gerontology: Biological Sciences

Journals of Gerontology: Medical Sciences

Journals of Gerontology: Psychological Sciences

Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences

Ellen L. Idler

Medical Care

The Milbank Quarterly

Obesity Research

Pediatrics

Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin

PLoS ONE

Population Health Metrics

Psychology and Aging

Psychology and Health

Quality of Life Research

Religions

Research on Aging

Review of Religious Research

Scandinavian Journal of Public Health

Social Forces

Social Problems

Social Science and Medicine

Sociological Focus

Sociological Forum

Sociological Perspectives

The Sociological Quarterly

Voluntas

OFFICES HELD IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

2017-18 Member, Publications Award Committee, Sociology of Religion Section, American Sociological Association

2017-18 Nominations Committee, Sociology of Religion Section, American Sociological Association

2017 Chair, Graduate Student Paper Award, Section on Aging and the Life Course, American Sociological Association

2012-15 Elected Chair, Section on Aging and the Life Course, American Sociological Association

2009-12 Chair, Task Force on Mentoring, Gerontological Society of America

2007-10 Elected Chair, Gerontological Society of America (GSA) Behavioral and Social Sciences Section

2008 Chair, Outstanding Publication Award Committee, American Sociological Association (ASA) Section on Aging and the Life Course

2004-07 Member, Fellowship Committee, GSA Behavioral and Social Sciences Section

2001-03 Council Member, ASA Section on Aging and the Life Course

1998-00 Member, Nominations Committee, ASA Medical Sociology Section

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020-21 Delphi Panel on Religion and Health Research, Harvard University T.H.Chan School of Public Health

2020 Peer Reviewer, Grant Proposal, Templeton Foundation

2015-18 Advisory Committee, Transforming Chaplaincy Project

2013 Subject Matter Expert, Mental Health Chaplaincy, Veterans' Administration

2013 Peer Reviewer, AIDS Fonds Research, Amsterdam, the Netherlands

2013 Reviewer, Emerging Trends in the Social and Behavioral Sciences, SAGE Press

2012 Peer Reviewer, AIDS Fonds Research, Amsterdam, the Netherlands

2012 Reviewer, Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences, General Social Survey

2012 Reviewer, Book proposal, Oxford University Press

2012 Reviewer, Grant Proposal, John Templeton Foundation, Radnor, PA

2011- Advisory Board Member, International Religious Health Assets Programme, University of Cape Town, South Africa

2011- Member, 2020 Health-Related Quality of Life & Well-Being (HRQoL/WB) Workgroup, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)/Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

2011 Organizer, Religion, Social Capital, and Community Health in Changing Neighborhoods in Atlanta: A Conversation with John Wallace, Emory University

2010-15 External Advisory Board Member, Morehouse College Building Research Infrastructure and Capacity Building (BRIC) grant, National Institutes of Health Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities

2011- Steering Committee, Southeast Center of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine, University of Alabama-Birmingham and Emory University

2010 Organizer, Beliefs and Barriers Conference on Religion and End of Life Decision Making, Emory University Center for Ethics

2010 Reviewer, Grant Proposal, John Templeton Foundation, Radnor, PA

2010- Team Leader, Religions and the Human Spirit Strategic Initiative, Emory University

- 2009-10 Organizer, Interdisciplinary Faculty Seminar on Religion and Public Health, Emory University
- 2009 Reviewer, NIMH Special Emphasis R01 Review Panel
- 2007 External Review Committee, Departments of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Maryland Baltimore Campus, Baltimore, MD
- 2007 Reviewer, NIH Special Emphasis R01 Review Panel
- 2005 Consultant, Project on Religious Socialization and Transmission, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
- 2004 Reviewer, NIH R03 Study Section on Social Sciences and Population Studies, Bethesda, MD
- 2004 Reviewer, NIH R01 Study Section on Social Sciences and Population Studies, Alexandria, VA
- 2004 External Review Committee, Department of Sociology, Adelphi University, Garden City, New York
- 2003-09 Consultant, Higher Education Research Institute, University of California, Los Angeles
- 2001 Reviewer, Grant Proposal, John Templeton Foundation, Radnor, PA
- 2001 Reviewer, Statistics Canada, Draft Report "2000/2001 Canadian Community Health Survey"
- 2001 National Advisory Council, National Institute for Healthcare Research
- 2000 Reviewer, National Institutes of Health, Draft Report "Spirituality and Health: Assessing the State of the Science"
- 1998-99 Member, Judges Panel, Exemplary Papers in Humility Theology, Religion and the Medical Sciences
John Templeton Foundation, Radnor, Pennsylvania
- 1998 Grant Reviewer, Research Proposals on Forgiveness
John Templeton Foundation, Radnor, Pennsylvania
- 1997- Affiliated Center Scientist, Center for the Study of Religion/Spirituality and Health
Duke University Medical Center
- 1996-97 Conference Participant, New Developments in Spiritual Research
John Templeton Foundation, Leesburg, Virginia, and Miami Beach, Florida
- 1996-97 Member, Religion and Spirituality Measurement Working Group
Fetzer Foundation, Kalamazoo, Michigan
- 1995 Invited Participant, Quality of Life Research Conference
Fetzer Institute, Kalamazoo, Michigan
- 1995-96 Reviewer, National Institutes of Health Division of Research Grants, Human Development and Aging Study Section, Special Emphasis Panel
- 1994 Consultant, National Institute of Mental Health, Health Behavior and Prevention Review Committee (Special External Reviewer)
- 1992-95 Consultant, "Risk and Risk Factor Modeling Project"
Principal Investigator: Louise Russell, Ph.D.
Rutgers University
Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, Grant No. 1-R01-HS07002-01
- 1980 Research Assistant, Epidemiological Catchment Area Study
Departments of Sociology and Psychiatry, Yale University
Principal Investigator, Jerome Myers
- 1980 Teaching Fellow, Sociology of Religion, Yale University
- 1977-79 Research Associate, Mediating Structures and Public Policy Project
Co-Directors, Peter L. Berger and Richard J. Neuhaus

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Academy of Religion
 American Sociological Association, and Sociological Research Association (Elected Member)
 American Public Health Association
 Gerontological Society of America (Fellow)
 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
 Southern Sociological Society

EMORY UNIVERSITY COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate

Ellen L. Idler
Social Gerontology, including Engaged Learning off-campus
Sociological Aspects of Health and Illness
Comparative Health Systems, Summer Study Abroad in London

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Graduate

Religion and Public Health, cross-listed in Sociology, Rollins School of Public Health, and Candler School of Theology
Epidemiology of Aging, Rollins School of Public Health
Sociology of Health and Illness, Sociology

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate

Introduction to Sociology
Social Gerontology
Department of Sociology Teaching Honor Roll (initiated 2004): 2004, 2005, 2006

Sociology of Medicine and Health Care
Sociology of Age

Graduate

Behavioral Science and Health Education
(Core Course, Graduate Program in Public Health)
Sociology of Age

Sociological Research Methods
Writing Seminar
Sociology of Health and Illness

EMORY UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Emory University

Laney Graduate School LGS Dean Search Committee 2021
Emory College Faculty Mentor, 2019-
Laney Graduate School Executive Council, 2019-2021, Chair 2020-21
University Tenure and Promotion Advisory Committee (TPAC), 2018-2021, Vice Chair 2019-20, Chair 2020-2021
Faculty Hearing Committee 2019-2020
University Tenure and Promotion (TPAC) Writing Committee, 2018
Strategic Initiatives Team Leader, Religion and the Human Spirit, 2015-16
Emory Graduate Diversity Fellowship Committee, 2015
School of Medicine Senior Mentor Program, 2011-2016
Atlanta Regional Geriatric Education Center, 2011-2016

Emory College

Phi Beta Kappa chapter 2009-
Heilbrun Award Committee 2019-2020
Grievance Committee 2016
Tenure and Promotion Committee 2017-2019
Nominations Committee 2019-2022
Pre-Health Mentoring Faculty Advisory Committee 2016-

Department of Sociology

Undergraduate Committee; Chair, Graduate Recruitment Committee; Health Area Faculty Search Committee; Social Inequality Area Faculty Search Committee; Chair, Health Area Concentration Planning Committee; Department Administrator Hiring Committee; Culture Area Faculty Search Committee; Graduate Program Committee

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

Sociology Department

Chair, 2000-2006; Executive Committee; Personnel Committee; Undergraduate Curriculum Committee; Graduate Program; Recruitment Committee; Faculty Academic Service Increment Program Committee; Colloquium Committee; Poster Session Organizer; Chair, Committee for department move from Livingston to Douglass campus

Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research

Associate Membership Committee; Faculty Academic Service Increment Program Committee

Rutgers College

Chair, Rutgers College Scholarship Committee; Rutgers College Representative to University Senate

School of Arts and Sciences

Member, Core Requirements Committee 2008-09; Acting Dean, Social and Behavioral Sciences 2007-08; Member, Scholarship Committee, 2007-09; Director, Aging Minor Program 1988-2009; Faculty Council Personnel Committee; Appointments and Promotions Committees for Reappointment, Associate Professor, Full Professor

Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Member, Graduate School New Brunswick Dean Search Committee, 2008; Advisory Council, Civic Engagement and Service Education Partnerships Program (CESEP), 2007-08; Chair, School of Social Work Dean Search Committee, 2005; School of Social Work Appointments and Promotions Committee, 2005; Member, Graduate School New Brunswick Research Award Committee, 2005, 2006; Board Member, Rutgers Protestant Campus Ministry, 2005-08; Member, Research Advisory Board Ad Hoc Committee, 2002-03; Chair, Administration of Justice Curriculum Revision Committee, 2000-01; Member, University Senate, 1998

DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Sociology (Rutgers)

1988	Jacqueline Worobey	"Living Arrangements of the Elderly"
1990	Linda Podhurst	"Scientism in Non-Medical Healing Systems"
1994	Sandra Howell-White	"Birth Alternatives: Definitions of Childbirth and Professional Jurisdiction"
1994	Karen Schwab	"A Normative Model of Retirement"
1997	Beth Ellyn O'Mullan	"The Social Meaning of Heart Transplants" (Chair)
1998	Sherry Larkins	"An Ethnography of a Needle Exchange Program"
2001	Amy Tiedemann	"Poverty, Culture, and Childrearing: Low Income Mothers' Conceptions of Parenting and Parenting Practices"
2001	Donna McAlpine	"Trust in Managed Care"
2004	Marsha Rosenthal	"Blame in the Health Care Setting"
2004	Julie McLaughlin	"The Impact of the Temporal Aspect of Transitions on Well-Being"
2005	Takiko Mori	"Media Discourse for Japanese Middle-Aged Women: Between Docile Body and Silent Resistance" (Chair)
2008	Xiaohui Xin	"Acupuncture Practitioners in a Western Medical System"
2009	Stephen Fichter	"Shepherding in Greener Pastures: Causes and Consequences of Affiliation Crossing by Celibate Catholic Priests into married Protestant Ministry" (Chair)
2011	Susan Bodnar-Deren	"Perceived Illness Burden, A Key to Understanding Advance Care Planning in Adults Nearing the End of Life"
2017	Elizabeth Luth	"Social and Health Determinants of End-of-Life Care Quality: A Multidimensional Approach"

Anthropology (Rutgers)

1991	Soon Ha	"The Elderly Koreans in New York: An Analysis of Their Adaptation to Aging"
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History (Rutgers)

1995	Sharla Fett	"African-American Healing in Southern Plantation Communities, 1820-1865"
2001	Janice Brockley	"Rearing the Child Who Never Grew: Parents, Professionals, and Children with Intellectual Disabilities, 1910-1965"

Psychology (Rutgers)

1995	Kristin Rose	"Motivations and Beneficiaries of Personal Projects: A Life Span Perspective"
1996	Yael Benyamini	"The Bases for Predicting One's Mortality"
1997	Susan Brownlee	"Realistic and Unrealistic Representations of Illness Threats"
1998	Linda Patrick-Miller	"The Relationships amongst Affect and Immune Responses Following <i>In Vivo</i> Immunological Challenge"
1998	Katherine Alton	"Religion, Depression, and Locus of Control: A Cross-Sectional Approach"

Ellen L. Idler		
1999	Chantal Robitaille	“Self-Regulation Models and the Use of Physician Services”
2000	Cori Cather	“Age as a Moderator of Post-Surgical Depression Symptoms in Cardiac Surgery”
2002	Melissa Crouch	“Geriatric Depression in Primary Care”
2003	Tanya Goyal	“Social Support in Recovery from Heart Surgery”
2004	Luba Rafalson	“The Role of Optimism, Pessimism, and Social Support in Adjustment to and Recovery from Open-Heart Surgery”
2004	Suzanne Gilligan	“Social Relationships and Gender in Adaptation to Heart Surgery: Processes of Mediation and Moderation”
2004	Yung (May) Chen	“A Model of Meaning Construction, Religion, and Chronic Reactions to Severe Stressors – Explaining and Extending the Written Emotional Expression Paradigm”
2004	Michael Maher	“A Comparison of Domain-Specific Measures and Trait Negative Affect as Predictors of Illness-Related Appraisals, Affect, and Behavior in Older Adults”
2009	Rachel Forster	“Conceptualizing Depression in Congestive Heart Failure”

School of Social Work (Rutgers)

2001	V. DuWayne Battle	(Chair) “The Effects of Religion and Spirituality on Depressed Mood in Individuals Faced with Serious Illness or Bereavement”
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Bloustein School of Public Policy (Rutgers)

2010	Sharon Pinnelas	“Traffic Now, Transit Later: Understanding Current and Future Travel Behavior of Residents in Active-Adult Communities”
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School of Criminal Justice, Rutgers Newark

1992	Harry Dammer	"Piety in Prison: An Ethnography of Religion in the Prison Environment"
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Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health

1994	Rani Hoff	"The Longitudinal Effects of Subjective Mental Health on Psychiatric Outcomes"
2000	Amy Brown-Darefsky	“Self-Rated Health and Survival in the Elderly”

Rush University Medical School, Department of Preventive Medicine

2007	George Fitchett	“The Role of Daily Spiritual Experiences in the Development of Cardiovascular Disease”
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Emory University, Sociology

2013	Jill Daugherty	(Chair) “Men and Unintended Births: The Influence of Procreative Consciousness and Procreative Responsibility” (Chair)
2015	Kate Cartwright	(Chair) “Unpacking a Paradox of the Hispanic Paradox: Social Determinants of Health and the Prevalence of Diabetes in Latino Populations”
2016	Carolyn Robbins	(Chair) “Identifying and Intervening in the Health Lifestyles of African American Preadolescents and Their Parents”
2016	Jared Bok	“Religious Organizations Crossing Boundaries: The Centrifugal Expansion of U.S.-based Mission Agencies”
2017	Megan Smith	(Chair) “Enhancing Choice, Capabilities, and Community for Chronically Mentally Ill Persons: The Social Context of a Faith-Based Day Program”
2017	Jennifer Nelson	“Nonsymmetrical Effects of Racial Diversity on Organizational Minority Members: Evidence from the Teaching Profession”
2017	Chris Martin	“Three Studies of Psychopathology and Distress among Privileged Groups”
2019	John Bernau	“Talk of Death: American Discourse in Three Spheres”
2019	Joon Chung	“Sleep: Studies in Sociology and Machine Learning”
2020	Allison Roberts	(Co-Chair) “Selling Health”
2020	Michael Vaughn	“HIV and Sexual Disorders Not Otherwise Specified: Collective Memory, Trauma, and Gay Identity”
2020	Ximena Leroux	(Co-chair) “Smoking Rates among Hispanic and White Adolescents: Immigrant

- 2021 John Pothen Assimilation and the Social Causes of Delinquency”
(Chair) “The Impact of Gentrification on Elderly Residents in Adair Park, Atlanta”
- 2021 Emily Pingel (Co-chair) “Primary Care and the Reproduction of Health Inequity in a Central São Paulo Neighborhood”

Emory University, Institute for Liberal Arts

- 2012 Anna Vandenberg “The NIH Healthy Brain Initiative”

Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health

- 2011 Barbara Bardenheier “Racial inequities in receipt of influenza immunization among U.S. long-term care residents”

Emory University, Graduate Division of Religion

- 2019 Charles Barber “It’s Complicated: Religion and the HIV/AIDS Epidemic among Black Same-Gender-Loving Men in the South”

University of Cape Town, South Africa

- 2010 Jill Olivier “In Search of Common Ground for Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Communication: Mapping the Cultural Politics of Religion and HIV/AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa”

University of Copenhagen, Faculty of Health Sciences

- 2011 Charlotte Juul Nilsson “Mobility limitations in midlife and old age: The role of social relations and socioeconomic position”