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EDUCATION

Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS

School of Epidemiology and Public Health, Yale University

F32 National Research Service Award (NRSA), National Institutes of Mental Health (NIMH)

Kirschstein Postdoctoral Training Fellowship (8/03-12/05)

Mentor: Dr. Kim Blankenship

Yale University, New Haven CT

Ph.D. in Anthropology, 2003

Dissertation: Criminal Subjects: The Political Economy of the Tijuana Sex Industry.

Advisor: Dr. Linda-Anne Rebhun

Yale University, New Haven CT

M.Phil. in Anthropology, 2000

University of Arizona, Tucson AZ

B.A. in Anthropology, 1997

Magna Cum Laude, With Honors

Honors Thesis: HIV Prevention and the Catholic Community: Interaction of a Belief System and Sexual Risk Behavior.

TRAINING

National Science Foundation, Short Course on Research Methods (Training Institute)

Social Network Analysis, 2009

American Psychological Association, Cybermentors (2 Year NIH Training Program)

Developing NIH – supported HIV Research in Communities of Color

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Medical anthropology, anthropology of gender/sexuality, women & international health, gender-based health disparities, social determinants of health, HIV/AIDS risk & prevention, sex work/prostitution, sex tourism, at-risk youth, homeless/runaway youth, child welfare youth.

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS

Katsulis, Yasmina. (2009) *Sex Work and the City: The Social Geography of Health and Safety in Tijuana, Mexico*. Austin: University of Texas Press.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Katsulis, Yasmina. "Living like a King': Conspicuous Consumption, Virtual Communities, and the Social Construction of Paid Sexual Encounters by U.S. Sex Tourists." *Men and Masculinities*. (forthcoming)

Lopez, Vera, **Katsulis, Yasmina**, and Alyssa Robillard. (2009) "Drug Use With Parents as a Relational Strategy for Incarcerated Female Adolescents." *Family Relations*. 58(2): 135-147.

Under Review:

Katsulis, Yasmina. "Youth Sex Work, Health, and the Law." *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*.

Katsulis, Yasmina, Lopez, Vera, Durfee, Alesha, and Alyssa Robillard. "Female Sex Workers and the Social Context of Workplace Violence in Tijuana, Mexico." *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*.

Katsulis, Yasmina, Durfee, Alesha, Lopez, Vera, and Alyssa Robillard. "Predictors of Workplace Violence among Female Sex Workers in Tijuana, Mexico." *Violence Against Women*.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Katsulis, Yasmina and Kim Blankenship. (2008) "Women's Agency in the Context of Drug Use." in *Neither Villain Nor Victim: Empowerment and Agency among Women Substance Abusers*. Tammy L Anderson, ed. Rutgers University Press.

Under Review:

Katsulis, Yasmina, Weinkauff, Kate, and Elena Frank. "Countering the Trafficking Paradigm: The Role of Family Obligations, Remittance, and Investment Strategies among Migrant Sex Workers in Tijuana, Mexico. In *Anti-Trafficking, Human Rights, and Social Justice*. Tiantian Zheng, ed. Routledge.

REPORTS

CIRA Center Report. (2006) Community Based HIV/AIDS Research: Guidelines for Successful Partnerships.

Katsulis, Yasmina. (2008) "Gender, Sex Work and Social Justice". Fact Sheet. Sociology for Women in Society Social Action Committee. Competitive submission. Published in Newsletter and on their Website.

BOOK REVIEWS

Katsulis, Yasmina. (2008) Book Review. Encyclopedia of Prostitution and Sex Work. Volume 1 A-N and 2 O-Z. Melissa Hope Ditmore, ed. Westport: Greenword Press, 2006. 782 pp. *American Anthropological Association.*

Katsulis, Yasmina. (2008) Book Review: On the Game: Women in Prostitution. *Medical Anthropology Quarterly.*

PEER REVIEWED PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS

- 2009 Sex work and Substance Use in Tijuana, Mexico: The Profitability of Venue-based Social Norms. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting.
- 2008 A Mixed-Method Approach to Sex Work, Legal Status & Occupational Health and Safety. National Women's Studies Association Annual Meeting.
- 2006 Negotiating Access to Networks in the Field: Pitfalls, Compromises, and Surprising Opportunities. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting.
- 2006 In Their Own Words: Mexican Sex Workers Struggle to be Heard. National Women's Studies Association Annual Meeting.
- 2005 Criminal Subjects: Gender Discrimination in a Regulated Sex Industry. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2004 Protecting Your Right to Work: Sex Workers, Health Cards, and HIV Prevention. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2003 Sex Work and City Politics: Protecting the Reputation of a Vice Industry. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting.
- 2002 The Community Making Process: Locating Community among High Risk Urban Populations. Invited Session, Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting
- 1999 Changing Theories of Love and Romance. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting.

ENCYCLOPEDIA ENTRIES

Rebhun, LA and Yasmina Katsulis. (2003) "Women and Alcohol Use." In *Encyclopedia of Women's Health*, Sana Loue and Martha Sajatovic, eds. Kluwer Academic/Plenum Publishing Company.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Katsulis, Yasmina. (2003) "Making it in the Margins: The Increasing Problem of Youth Sex Work and the Political Economy of Risk." *Prisms: Yale Journal of Student Anthropology* (15-25). This paper awarded Best Student Paper by the AIDS and Anthropology Research Group, Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association (2002).

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2009 AAUW American Fellowship (\$6000)
 2009 Institute for Humanities Research (\$12,000)
 2007 CATALYST Junior Scholar Program (\$17,000)
 2003-2005 NRSA/T32 NIMH Postdoctoral Training Fellowship, Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS, Yale University (\$37,000 year for 2 years)
 2003 Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS, Pilot Grant
 2001-2002 Grant# 6028113 Dissertation Enhancement Award, National Science Foundation America's Program (\$25,000)
 2000-2001 Dissertation Award, Yale Center for International Area Studies (\$10,000)
 2000 Williams Fund for Field Research (\$2,500)
 1999 Andrew Mellon Foundation Award for Pre-Dissertation Research (\$2,500)
 1998 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (\$2,500)
 1998-2002 7 Schwartz Foundation Conference Travel Grants, (\$10,500 total)
 1997-2002 Yale University Graduate Studies Fellowship (full tuition and \$11,000 living stipend for 4 years)
 1996 Social & Behavioral Science Research, U of AZ (\$500)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2007 Nominated Fellow, Society for Applied Anthropology
 2006 ASU Center for Mexican and Mexican-American Studies, Travel Grant \$500
 2002-2003 Anthropological Approaches to Health Research: New England Medical Anthropology Conferences I and II. (Conference Grant, Yale University \$2500)
 2001 National Student Paper Prize, AIDS and Anthropology Research Group, Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association
 1996 Top 5% Sophomore Writing Composition, University of Arizona
 1995-1997 Honors Scholarship Tuition Waiver, University of Arizona
 1995 T. Bogart Memorial Scholarship, University of Arizona
 1995 1st Prize: Honors Essay Contest Winner
 1994-1995 Four Consecutive Honors Recognition Awards

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- 2003 Grant Writing Consultant for Welfare to Work Job Training Grant (PRIDE II), Goodwill Industries of NY/NJ
 2002-2003 Project Management for Dissertation Research (2 employees)
 2002 NuDist 6 Workshop (Ethnographic Software Program for Data Analysis), American Anthropological Association.
 2002 Saliva Sampling for HIV (Orisure)
 2002 Grant Writing for Government Grants and Private Foundations (Workshop), American Anthropological Association.
 2000 Summer Intern for The CT Consortium for Women and Their Children with Behavioral Health Needs, a state-wide non-profit organization for research, advocacy, and consultant work.

- 2000 Red Cross Certification in HIV Testing and Counseling.
 1998 FLAS Sponsored Spanish Language Training: 6-week Immersion Training in Cuernavaca, Mexico.

MENTORING

- 2007-present Member, Doctoral Dissertation Committee (Lubayna Fawcett)
 2006-present Member, Doctoral Dissertation Committee (Zeenat Hasan)
 2006-present Independent Study Advisor / Fieldwork Projects (5)
 2006-present Honors Disciplinary Faculty Advisor
 Chair, Honors Thesis (3)
 Member, Honors Thesis Committee (6)
 Honors Contracts Papers and Lectures (10)

TEACHING

- 2007-present Graduate Seminar: Gender and Global Health Disparities
 2005-present Women and Sexuality
 2005-present Pro-Seminar: Women and HIV/AIDS
 2005-present Women and International Health, Arizona State University
 2003 Anthropology and International Health, Trinity College
 2002 Ethnomedicine, Yale University (Teaching Fellow)
 2000 Language, Culture, and Society, Yale University (Teaching Fellow)
 1999 Peoples and Cultures of Latin America, Yale University (Teaching Fellow)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2006-present PhD Social Science and Health Planning Committee, Steering Committee
 2006-present PhD Social Science and Health Graduate Degree Steering Committee, Member
 2006-present Body Positive (HIV/AIDS), Fundraising, Events, Student Involvement
 2006-present Advisor, Omega Phi Chi (a multicultural sorority founded by women of African American, Latina and Asian descent)
 2005-present Member, PhD Gender Studies Graduate Degree Development Committee
 2005-present Member, Women and Gender Studies Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
 2005-present Member, North American Center for Transborder Studies (NACTS)
 2003 Focus Group Facilitator, Power Days, Yale Medical School.
 2002-2003 Student Coordinator, Yale AIDS Colloquium Series, Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS, Yale University
 2002-2003 Student Representative, Yale AIDS Network, Community Research Core, Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS, Yale University
 2002-2003 Conference Organizer - Anthropological Approaches to Health Research. New England Medical Anthropology Conference
 1999-2003 Student Coordinator, Medical Anthropology at Yale.
 1998-1999 Committee Chair, Yale Anthropology Faculty Speaker Series
 1998-1999 Anthropology Department Representative, Graduate Student Assembly, Yale University

NATIONAL SERVICE

- 2003-present Volunteer, Behavioral Social Science Volunteer Program (BSSV). Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- 2005 Consultant, National Behavioral Surveillance Survey on High-Risk Heterosexuals. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- 2000-2003 Membership Officer, AIDS and Anthropology Research Group, Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association.
- 2003 Manuscript Reviewer, Textbook on Anthropology and AIDS. Praeger.

PRESENTATIONS

- 2008 A Mixed-Method Approach to Sex Work, Legal Status & Occupational Health and Safety. National Women's Studies Association Annual Meeting.
- 2007 Health, Politics and Policies: The Professionalization of Sex Work in Tijuana, Mexico. NACTS Launch.
- 2006 The Social Geography of Occupational Risk and Safety in the Tijuana Sex Industry. Meeting of the Annual Directors, Women's Studies Programs in the Southwest.
- 2006 Situated Sexual Decision-Making: Mapping the Impact of Overlapping Vulnerabilities within High Risk Populations. Center for Mexican and Mexican-American Families, Arizona State University.
- 2006 In Their Own Words: Mexican Sex Workers Struggle to be Heard. National Women's Studies Association.
- 2006 Negotiating Access to Networks in the Field: Pitfalls, Compromises, and Surprising Opportunities. Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting (Vancouver).
- 2004 Sex Workers, Legal Status & HIV Risk in Tijuana Mexico: A Multi-Method Approach. Poster Presentation, NIMH Training Meeting, Washington D.C.
- 2004 Regulating Women's Bodies for the Public Good? Law and Public Health Practices in the Tijuana Sex Industry. Bioethics, Yale University.
- 2003 Mixed Methods: From Theory to Practice. Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS, Yale University.
- 2003 Criminal Subjects: The Political Economy of the Tijuana Sex Industry. Ethnography and Social Theory Colloquium, Yale University.
- 2003 Gender Discrimination in the Tijuana Sex Industry. Anthropological Approaches to Health Research. Regional Symposium for Medical Anthropology, Yale University.
- 2002 The Community Making Process: Locating Community Among High Risk Urban Populations. Invited Session, Society for Medical Anthropology, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting
- 2002 Work Site Matters: Sex Work, Health, and Divergent Occupational Risk Priorities in the Tijuana Sex Industry. Anthropological Approaches to Health Research. Regional Symposium for Medical Anthropology, Yale University.
- 2002 Seeing Things Through Their Eyes: Male Tourist Client Priorities and Strategies for Risk Reduction. Health and Culture Series, Yale University

- 2001 Qualitative Methods for Public Health Research (Spanish) Epidemiological Methods Invited Guest Lecture – El Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Tijuana, Mexico.
- 1999 Romance, Intimacy and HIV Prevention. Working Group on Sexuality, Sexual Identities, Politics of Health Invited Guest Lecture, Yale University
- 1999 The Political Economy of the U.S. – Mexico Border. Peoples and Cultures of Latin America Invited Guest Lecture, Yale University.
- 1999 Changing Theories of Love and Romance. American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting.
- 1999 Feminism, Anthropology and Health. Feminist Theory and Anthropology Invited Guest Lecture, Yale University.

AFFILIATIONS

American Anthropological Association

- Society for Medical Anthropology
- Society for Applied Anthropology
- AIDS and Anthropology Research Group

National Women's Studies Association

Society for Women in Sociology

National Center for Transborder Studies (NACTS), Arizona State University

School for Human Evolution and Social Change (SHESC), Arizona State University