

Curriculum Vitae

Laura A. Lewis, PhD, LCSW, ACSW;
University at Buffalo School of Social Work
Clinical Associate Professor, Assistant Dean for Global Partnerships
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Education

Ph.D., Counselor Education, University at Buffalo
Degree: May 2011

MSW, University at Buffalo, 1994
BA in Psychology, SUNY Fredonia, 1989

Mini-MBA Certificate Program, University at Buffalo, 2016

Management Development Program, Harvard Institute of Higher Education, Harvard
Graduate School of Education, 2012

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

Academy of Certified Social Workers- ACSW (1996)
New York State Clinical Social Work Licensure- LCSW (2009)

Employment: University at Buffalo, School of Social Work	
Assistant Dean for Global Partnerships	2015-Present
Director of Field Education	2007-2021

As Assistant Dean for Global Partnerships, manage international collaborations in research, teaching, and field education. Serve as Nodal Network Coordinator for collaboration with the SUNY COIL Center (Center for Online International Learning). Provide consultation and support to colleagues on the incorporation of instructional technologies to facilitate cross-cultural exchanges within courses.

Co-developed in 2013 and Co-direct the School's Institute for Sustainable Global Engagement. Housed within the Buffalo Center for Social Research, the Institute brings together researchers and faculty with common interests, facilitating collaborations in research, and expanding and developing educational and service opportunities that foster global engagement and rights-based approaches to alleviating pressing social and economic challenges.

The Institute's activities include cross-national research projects, globally focused research that advances trauma informed and human rights perspectives; international scholarly exchanges and teaching collaborations, hosting special events focused on global social welfare and human rights, international fieldwork, study abroad and service learning and, advocacy.

As Director of Field Education, oversaw the practicum component of the UB School of Social Work curriculum, a program that is part of a large state university system, with enrollment of six hundred

graduate students and a budget of over \$600,000.00. Responsibilities included ensuring program adherence to Council on Social Work Education guidelines; building and maintaining collaborative relationships with community agencies, and University departments and schools; and, hiring and supervision of thirty-five or more adjuncts annually.

Awards and Honors

Distinguished Fellow of the National Academies of Practice (NAP) in Social Work	2019
Fulbright Scholar - International Education Administrators Program in France	2018
Finalist, University at Buffalo Excellence in University-Community Engagement Award	2015
Recipient, CSWE Summer Leadership Scholarship Program Fellow Attended the Management Development Program, Harvard Institute of Higher Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education, June 5 – June 13, 2012.	2012
Recipient, University at Buffalo Internationalization Award Related to international partnership efforts, with Amrita University, India; \$1,300.	2011
Travel Award, Graduate Student Association, Graduate School of Education; \$500	2007

UB Canadian-American Studies Committee – Awarded funds to support US-Canadian partnership activities - 2012 Collaboration with KidsLINK, St. Agatha’s, Trauma-informed Service Delivery, \$600; 2011 Stipend for MSW student completing practicum in St. Agatha’s Ontario, \$800; 2010 Honoraria, Professor Marion Bogo (University of Toronto), UB Speaking Engagement \$750; 2009 Collaboration with University of Toronto Colleagues – Conference Presentation & Podcast, \$900.

Professional Memberships and Activities

Appointed Position, Council on Global Social Issues, Council on Social Work Education 2023 - 2029
Nominated Position, Council on Field Education, Council on Social Work Education; Served as Co-chair of Research Committee (2014 – 2018)
Member, National Association of Social Workers (1994)
Member, Academy of Certified Social Workers (1996)
Member, Council on Social Work Education (2007)

Research

Primary Investigator – Kathryn Kendall Institute (CSWE, 2023) – (\$10,000) Focus on Haiti: Turning the Lens on Media Advocacy and Global Human Rights Perspectives

Developing curriculum materials (online lesson plan, with recorded video lectures, associated resources, media toolkit and sample assignments) to build the media literacy and media advocacy skills of students, positioning them to better inform audiences, effect change, influence public opinion and policies on global issues. The project further internationalizes the social work curriculum by enhancing students’ critical engagement with global issues, helping them make connections to people from other cultures, and enhancing their confidence in using and developing intercultural and interpersonal skills.

Primary Investigator - SUNY Sustainable Village and Learning Center / W. K. Kellogg Foundation Grant (\$139,000) 2018-2019

Promote cross-cultural learning and exchange between SUNY and Haitian students.

SUNY and Haitian faculty will develop shared curricula, with a special focus on trauma-informed and rights-based approaches to mental health treatment and social work service delivery. Faculty and students will contribute over time to the development of an online compendium of education and training resources freely available to the community.

Co-investigator (with Elze, D., et. al). US Health Resources and Services Administration (\$1,350,00) 2019-2022

Combatting Opioid Crisis in in High Need and High Demand Areas: Increasing Behavioral Health Workforce Capacity. Program increases access to team-based and integrated evidence-based intervention through increasing the number of behavioral health professionals trained in opioid use disorder (OUD) and other substance use disorders (SUDs) prevention, treatment, and recovery services to serve in high need and high demand areas of Western New York.

Co-investigator (with Elze, D., et. al) US Health Resources and Services Administration 2017-Present HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training Scholar. Together with colleagues from School of Nursing and Rehab Counseling

SUNY COIL Center and Banco Santander. Understanding Disability through the Perspective of Social Work and Law. Awarded funds for travel and related expenses. May, 2015.

Co-investigator (with Critelli, F., et. al) International Association of Schools of Social Work 2014-2015 Examined the impact of migration on family relations from the perspective of fathers, mothers, and adult children.

Co-investigator (with Elze, D., et. al) US Health Resources and Services Administration 2012-2015 Together with colleagues from University at Albany, University at Binghamton, University at Brockport, Nazareth, Roberts Wesleyan, Syracuse University and 5VA Centers across the upstate region developed the Upstate New York Mental and Behavioral Health Consortium. The Consortium created a cadre of social work graduates with the skills needed to alleviate barriers and improve the quality of care available for veterans and military families in the Western New York region. (Buffalo Center, \$66,000.00).

Publications (scholarship)

Lewis, L. McClain-Meeder, K., Lynch, M. & Quartley, M. (2022). Trauma Informed Field Education: A Path Forward for the Profession. *Advances in Social Work*, 22(2), 517-532.

Critelli, F. M., **Lewis, L. A.**, Yalim, A. C., & Ibraeva, J. (2021). Labor Migration and Its Impact on Families in Kyrgyzstan: a Qualitative Study. *Journal of International Migration and Integration*, 22(3), 907-928.

Lewis, L. (2018). (Contributing Author) Field Education Online: High Touch Pedagogy. In L. Hitchcock, M. Sage, & N.J. Smyth. *Teaching Social Work with Digital Technology*. Alexandria, VA: CSWE Press.

Lewis, L. (July, 2017). The experience of transnational migration in post-Soviet countries: The effects of separation on individuals and families. *Final Report – IASSW*: <https://www.iassw-aiets.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/Transnational-Migration-Final-Report-1.pdf>.

Critelli, F., **Lewis, L.** & Mendez-Lopez, A. (2017). *Educating for an inclusive world: Lessons learned from a globally networked human rights and disability course for social work and law students*. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 3 (2).

Lewis, L.A. & Orpustan-Love, D. (2016). Blog post and digital poster. In L. Hitchcock, M. Sage, & N.J. Smyth. *Teaching Social Work with Digital Technology*. Alexandria, VA: CSWE Press.

Lewis, L., Kusmaul, K., Elze, D. & Butler, L. (2016). *The Role of Field Education in a University-Community Partnership Aimed at Curriculum Transformation*. *Journal of Social Work Education*, 52:2, 186-197

Lewis, L. (2010) *Virtual Communities of Practice: Bridging Research and Practice Using Web 2.0*. *Journal of Educational Technology Systems*, 39 (2), 155-161.

Lewis L. *Zero Tolerance Approach in Schools*. *Encyclopedia of Human Services and Diversity*.

Peer Reviewed Paper Presentations

Chang, Y. P., Barrick, C., Sabella, S., **Lewis, L.**, Vargovich, A., Sessanna, L., Janikowski, T., Elze, D. & Altemoos, J. R. (2024, February). *Inter-professional Training for Opioid Workforce for High Need and High Demand Areas*. [Podium Presentation]. International Nurses Society on Addictions (IntNSA), 46th Annual Education Conference, Charleston, S.C., USA.

Chang, Y. P., Barrick, C., Janikowski, T., Elze, D., **Lewis, L.**, Sabella, S., Sessanna, L., Nisbet, P. & Altemoos, J. R. (2024, February). *Outcomes of a Four-Year Team-Based Interprofessional Behavioral Health Workforce Training Program*. [Podium Presentation]. International Nurses Society on Addictions (IntNSA), 46th Annual Education Conference, Charleston, S.C., USA.

Lewis, L. (April, 2024). *Media Advocacy and the Social Work Curriculum - Teaching Students to Live and Lead in a Global World*. *Social Work Social Development Conference*.

Lewis, L., Patterson, K. & Critelli, F. (June, 2020). *Educating for Change: Social Work and Social Development in Haiti*. *Social Work Social Development Conference /SWESD 2020 (Cancelled, COVID-19)*.

Critelli, F., Lewis, L., Patterson, K. (October, 2019). *Supporting Social Work Education in Haiti: Developing a Critical, Anti-Oppressive Collaboration*. *Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education*.

Critelli, F., Lewis, L., Patterson, K. (November, 2018). *Learning Through Development: A University-Foundation Partnership to Create a Sustainable Village and Learning Community in Haiti*. *Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education*.

Chang, Y. P., Barrick, C., Dermen, K., Janikowski, T., Elze, D., Lewis, L., Sessanna, L., Griswold, K., Campbell-Heider, N., & Altemoos, J. (2018 Oct 3-6). *Cultivating Future Behavioral Health Workforce in*

Underserved Areas: The Development and Outcome of Addiction-Focused Interprofessional Education. 42nd Annual Educational Conference, International Nurses Society on Addictions, Denver, CO.

Curington, A., Lewis, L., Williamson, E., Jackson, R., Parker, J., & Coleman, S. (November, 2018). Connecting with Field Education: Sharing Best Practices. Connect Session, Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Critelli, F., Lewis, L. & Yalim, A. (July, 2018). Migration and Children Left Behind in Kyrgyzstan. Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development.

Rubin, J., Tippett, S., Lewis, L. & Jacome, I. (June, 2017). Scaling Up Internationalization: The SUNY US Mexico Multistate COIL Program. NAFSA National Conference.

Critelli, F. & Lewis, L. (December, 2015). Educating About the Rights of the Disabled. 6th International Human Rights Education, University College Roosevelt, Middelburg, Netherlands.

Lewis, L., Critelli, F. & Sturman, S. (October, 2015). Globally Networked Classrooms: The Role Technology Can Play in Supporting Cross-cultural Exchange. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Mendez, A., Critelli, F. & Lewis, L. (March, 2014). Multidisciplinary Human Rights Education as a Step Towards Social Justice. The Expanding Landscape of COIL Practitioners, Networks, and Hubs: What's Next?; SUNY Center for Online International Learning Annual Conference.

Critelli, F., Lewis, L., & Mendez, A. (December, 2014). Disability and Human Rights Through the Perspective of Social Work and Law – An Online International Course. 5th International Human Rights Education, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC.

Critelli, F., Lewis, L. & Prabhu, S. (November, 2013). Children's' Rights in India: A View from the Field. University at Buffalo International Education Week

Lewis, L., Niculaes, A. & Scott, C. (November, 2013). Where East Meets West: Internationalizing the SW Curriculum Through Globally Networked Classrooms. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Mendel, W. & Lewis, L. (November, 2013). Implementing and Measuring a Competency-Based Field Education Curriculum: Challenges and Strategies. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Quartley, M., Koston, Z. & Lewis, L. (November, 2013). Preparing to Launch: An Online Approach to Orienting Students & Field Instructors. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Lewis, L. Developing and Fostering Community Partnerships (November, 2013). Field Connect Session, Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Guzman, A., Lewis, L. & Niculaes, A. (April, 2013). Creating global bridges. Can Globally Networked Learning Anchor Internationalization in the Curricular Mainstream?, 5th Annual Center for Online International Learning (COIL) Conference.

Lewis, L. (November, 2012). Is Competence Enough? Implications of the Good Work Model for Training, Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Fowler, J., Martins, D., Marko Harrigan, M., & Lewis, L. (November, 2012). Creating Global Partnerships through Online International Collaborations: Resources and Examples. Navigating Global Currents, Association of International Educators Conference.

Lewis, L. (June, 2011) Creating Effective International Partnerships. International Conference on Society, Technology & Sustainable Development.

McGee, E. & Lewis, L. (June, 2011). Practicum Knowledge Exchange Across the Border, Seventh International Interdisciplinary Conference on Clinical Supervision.

Lewis, L. & Kusmaul, K. (October, 2011). Field Education, Faculty, and Community Providers: A Collaborative Process of Curriculum Development, Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Lewis, L., Koston, Z., Quartley, M. & Adsit, J. (May, 2010). Virtual Communities of Practice: Bridging Research and Practice Using Web 2.0, SUNY Conference on Instructional Technology (This presentation was the conference headliner.)

Lewis, L., Reiser, S. & Sturman, S. (October, 2011) Virtual communities of practice: Connecting research and practice using web 2.0, Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Elze, D., Lewis, L. & Butler, L. (October, 2010). Integrating a Trauma-Informed Perspective in to Social Work Education Through University- Community Partnerships. Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education.

Lewis, L., Bartone, A. & Kazi, M. (March, 2010). The Social Work Self-Efficacy Scale: Validating a Brief Instrument to Measure Social Work Trainee Outcomes, 7th International Conference on Evaluation for Practice.

Peer reviewed Poster Presentations

Lewis, L., McClain-Meeder, K., Lynch, M. & Quartley, M. (November, 2020). *Trauma informed Field Education: A Framework for Moving the Field Forward*. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting.

Chang, Y., Sabella, S., **Lewis, L.** & Nisbet, P. (October, 2020). *Development of inter-professional training for opioid workforce for high need and high demand areas*. International Nurses Society on Addictions.

Janikowski, T.P., Chang, Y.P., Barrick, C., Dermen, K., Elze, D., Lewis, L., Sessanna, L., Griswold, K., Campbell-Heider, N., & Altemoos, J. (2019, April). Development and Outcome of Behavioral Health

Workforce Training for Rehabilitation and Related Professionals. Annual Conference of the National Council on Rehabilitation Education, San Diego, CA.

Cultivating Future Behavioral Health Workforce in Underserved Areas: The Development and Outcome of Addiction-Focused Interprofessional Education, IntNSA 42nd Annual Educational Conference, October, 2018.

Transnational migration: The impact of separation on families in a post-Soviet country, Council on Social Work Education, October, 2017.

High-Touch Pedagogy and Field Education: Extending Support and Instruction for Students Via Web-based Tools, Council on Social Work Education, October, 2014.

Community Social Work in Action: Developing the Town Square for Aging, Council on Social Work Education, October, 2011.

Coping Skills and Adolescent Suicide, Advancing School Based Mental Health Conference, October, 2007.

Beyond Competence: A Consensual Qualitative Analysis of Exemplary Counselors, Council on Social Work Education, 2009.

Beyond Competence: A Consensual Qualitative Analysis of Exemplary Counselors, APA Convention, August, 2009.

Community Engaged Teaching and Invited Presentations

University at Buffalo Undergraduate Education Advisors, *Cultural Humility and the Advising Process*, December 12, 2023.

University of Rwanda, Center for Mental Health, Trauma and Violence Informed Conference, *Values & Principles of Trauma & Violence Informed Care: Safety, Trustworthiness, Choice, Collaboration & Empowerment*, April 30, 2021.

Western New York Children's Psychiatric Center, *The Role of Cultural Humility in Service Delivery: A Holistic Approach to Working with Children and Families*, January 20, 2021.

Hosted National Presentation in Partnership with University of Southern California and University of Phoenix, *Technology and Social Work Field Ed and Practice: A Panel of Industry Experts*, September 16, 2020.

Online Book Group: Teaching Social Work with Digital Technology, *Online Programs and Field Education* - Mediated discussion in Facebook group and presented live session (Month of April, 2020).

PXL University, Hasselt Belgium: *Social Inclusion and Human Rights: A Cross-National Perspective*, October 21, 2019. (Virtual Classroom)

New York State Association for Rural Health - Pre-Conference Workshop: Niagara Falls Convention Center: *The Role of Cultural Humility in Service Delivery: Challenging Assumptions and Improving Care*, September 25, 2019.

Buffalo StringWorks: *Breaking Barriers: Beginning a path of developing personal awareness, skills, and learning through cultural humility*, August 26, 2019.

Big Brothers / Big Sisters: *Beginning a path of developing personal awareness, skills, and learning through cultural humility*, August 20, 2019.

Faculte de Travail et de Social Justice Sociale, Bon Repos, Haiti: Human Rights Advocacy, February 16, 2019.

The Importance of Field Placements in Social Work Education and Future Job Planning, Conference: son importance dans le développement social, durable en Haiti, Faculté de Travail Social et Justice Sociale / Fakilte nan Travay Sosyal ak Jistis Sosyal (The College of Social Work and Social Justice), August 10, 2019.

Virtual Exchange in Social Work, SOCNET (Social Work Network of European Schools of Social Work) Conference, PXL University of Applied Science, Hasselt, Belgium, April 1-3, 2019

Panelist, University at Buffalo Faculty Coffee Chat: *Globally Networked Learning*, April 3, 2017.

Stigma and Mental Health, International Conference on Nurturing Mental Health, March 8-10, 2017.

Collaborative Online International Learning: A How-to Symposium, Florida International University, January 27, 2016.

Invited Keynote –Forum on Social and Economic Development, University at Albany School of Social Work; February 4, 2016

Globally Networked Classrooms: The Role Technology Can Play in Supporting Cross-Cultural Exchange and Promotion of Human Rights. Forum on Social and Economic Development; University of Albany School of Social Work; June 26, 2015.

Globally Networked Classrooms: An Introduction. Presented via Skype to an audience of faculty at SUNY Old Westbury; Feb 21, 2014.

Field Education Curriculum and Competencies. Presented at 2014 CSWE Field Council Connect Session; October 25, 2014.

Delivered ACE Suicide Prevention Program to National Guardsmen as part of UB School of Social Work group comprised of faculty, staff and MSW students; December 1, 2012.

Finding Kind: Film Screening and Guided Discussion

On Female Bullying (Program for Teens & Caregivers). A program presented in collaboration with Erie County Department of Mental Health, Families' Child Advocacy Network, Compeer and Youth Empowerment Leadership; May 9, 2012.

Finding Kind: Film Screening and Guided Discussion on Female Bullying (Program for Service Providers). A program presented in collaboration with Erie County Department of Mental Health, Families' Child Advocacy Network, Compeer and Youth Empowerment Leadership. May 10, 2012.

Creating International Partnerships, UB International Student and Scholar Services (International Education Week); Nov 17, 2012

Invited Presenter, *Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevention Program: A Parent Forum on Adolescent Depression and Suicide Prevention*. A program developed in collaboration with four local school districts (Williamsville, Amherst, Clarence, and Sweet Home School Districts), and in partnership with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and the New York State Office of Mental Health; May 25, 2012.

Out of the Darkness: Teen Depression and Suicide Prevention Forum, Williamsville School District. A program developed with seven local school districts (Alden, Akron, Depew, East Aurora, Holland, Iroquois, and Lancaster School Districts), and in partnership with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and the New York State Office of Mental Health; October 2011.

Research Dissemination - Other Reports

Fisher, W., Holmes, J. & Lewis, L. (2018) The State of Field Education Survey: A Survey of Directors of Field Education on Administrative Models, Staffing and Resources. Report – Council on Social Work Education.

News or Newsletter articles:

Invited article, UB Office of International Education Newsletter, UB School of Social Work: Trauma-Informed Care in the Rwandan Context; Spring 2020.

Invited article, UB Office of International Education Newsletter, *Social Work Faculty Explore Collaborations with Amrita University, India*; Fall, 2009

Podcasts:

Episode 284 - COVID-19: Challenges and Opportunities in Social Work Field Education during a Global Pandemic: Laura Lewis, PhD; Daniel Fischer, LMSW. (2020, August 18). *inSocialWork® Podcast Series*. [Audio Podcast] Retrieved from <http://www.insocialwork.org/episode.asp?ep=284>

Interviewer, In Social Work Podcast Series, Episode 237: Danna Bodenheimer: The Imposter Syndrome Within the Social Work Profession: Recognizing Your True Potential; April, 2018

Interviewer, In Social Work Podcast Series, Episode 211: Sarah Beck Buchanan, Wright Kaminer & Dr. Roger Nooe: The Community Law Office: An Integration of Social Work and Criminal Defense; March, 2017.

Interviewer, In Social Work Podcast Series, Episode 182: Megan Connelly, Elisabeth Presisinger and Lidia Snyder: Community Revitalization: A Macro Field Education Experience; January, 2016

Interviewer, In Social Work Podcast Series, Episode 176: Adalberto Mendez Lopez & Dr. Filomena Critelli: Globally Connected Classrooms: Partnerships, Technology, and Human Rights; September, 2015.

Interviewer, In Social Work Podcast Series, Episode 154: Dr. Toba Kerson and Dr. Judith McCoyd: In Response to Need: An Analysis of Social Work Roles Over Time; October, 2014.

Interviewer, Living Proof Podcast Series, Episode 101: Aster Teclé: Where is 'Home'? Interpreting Youth Discourse and the Politics of Displaced Youth; August, 2012.

Interviewer, Living Proof Podcast Series, Episode 56: Dr. Julie Spielberger: "Sometimes Things Don't Work Out": Barriers and Facilitators of Service Use; October, 2010.

Teaching

School of Social Work: University at Buffalo, The State University of New York

2024	SW 998, UN Costa Rica: UN SDGs and Global Action (Study Abroad) Graduate SW 102, UN Costa Rica: UN SDGs and Global Action (Study Abroad) Undergraduate
2023	SW 111, Media Advocacy and the UN Sustainable Development Goals: Living & Leading in a Global World (Study Abroad)
2022-Present	SW 230, Community Organizing Theory and Policy
2020-Present	SW 199, When We Fight We Win: Activism and Paths to Social Justice
2020-Present	SW 555, Field Seminar
2012-Present	SW 505, Human Behavior in the Social Environment (Fully Online)
2008-Present	SW 548, Applied Study Abroad (Advanced Year)
2015	SW 972, Relationship-based Practice (Fully Online)
2007-2021	SW 501, Interventions I Field Lab
2007-2021	SW 550 & 551, Foundation Field Placement
2007-2021	SW 552 & 553, Advanced Year Field Placement
2008-2021	SW 549, Block Field Placement (Advanced Year)

Counseling, School & Educational Psychology: University at Buffalo, The State University of New York
CEP 410 Introduction to Grief & Loss, Spring, 2008; Spring, 2009
CEP 401 Introduction to Counseling, University at Buffalo, Fall 2007

Academic advising

Provide academic advising to assigned group of MSW students, Provide advising to MSW students interested in international opportunities.

Specialized educational programs

Media Literacy and Media Advocacy for Social Work: Turning the Lens on Social Justice, 2023
This teaching resource is designed to prepare students to inform about issues, teaching them to access, critically evaluate and create media that counter misconceptions and more effectively inform and influence policy. The exercises can be used to help students join the public conversation about the issues they care about, and advocate for social change efforts via social media and popular news outlets.

Media Advocacy and the UN Sustainable Development Goals: Living & Leading in a Global World, 2023

Successfully piloted University at Buffalo's new First Year Global Experience, a program designed to attract under-represented students to study abroad. Led a group of twelve students on a study abroad to Costa Rica, with lectures focused on UN Sustainable Development Goals, human rights, and media advocacy.

Peer Support and Mutual Aid Field Placement: An Innovative Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, 2020
With many students feeling the effects of the current crisis, a field unit focused on peer support and mutual aid was developed. Placement included participation in a training by Dr. Larry Shulman, former Dean and Emeritus Faculty of UB SSW, on The Dynamics and Skills of Leading On-Line Mutual Aid Support Groups for Peers. Participating students were then deployed to provide online support. Provided ongoing training and supervision for students.

Conversations About Culture: Video and Lesson Plan on Cultural Humility, 2017
This module introduces the concept of cultural humility as a guiding principle for effective cross-cultural communication and collaboration, and can be used as a resource for educators, students planning to study abroad or engage in international fieldwork, faculty engaged in cross-cultural research and partnerships, human service practitioners, educators, and any other interested parties.

Service to the School of Social Work

Provided leadership through the School's 2018-19 reaccreditation process, ensuring that field materials were adapted to measure the attainment of social work competencies.

Provided leadership through the School's 2010-11 reaccreditation process, ensuring that field materials were adapted to measure the attainment of social work competencies. Member UB School of Social Work Reaffirmation Project, "Developing Concepts, Frameworks and Applications of a Trauma-Informed and Human Rights Perspective in Social Work Practice."

Strategic Planning, Co-chair; 2022-2023

DSW Admissions, Member; 2019-2023.

Field Education Community Advisory Board, Chair; 2007-2021.

MSW Curriculum Committee, Member; 2007-2021; 2023-current

Personnel Committee, Member; 2009-2022.

Sequence and Course Clusters, Member; 2007-2022.

Service to the Profession:

Fulbright Association Peer Reviewer 2022 and 2023

Reviewer, Sociology and Anthropology (International Peer-reviewed Journal) (2022)

Reviewer, Journal of Technology and Human Services (Peer-reviewed Social Work Journal) (2018)

Advances in Social Work Practice (Peer-reviewed Social Work Journal) (2012 to present)

Reviewer, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (ACOSA Track; Field Education Track) (2009-Present)

The Academic Fellowship Program (Higher Education Support Program/Open Society Institute) (2012)

Service to the Community

Education Haiti Foundation, Board Member, Secretary

See also invited presentations / community engaged teaching.

Service to the University

Global Health Education Advisory Committee, Member (2016-Present)

Faculty Senate, Executive Committee, Member (2019-2021)

National Council for Eurasian and East European Research, Mentor for the Carnegie Scholar Publication Program, 2015-2016.