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EDUCATION

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| 2016, Spring | B.A., Psychology, San Francisco State University |
| 2018, May | MSW., Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University |
| 2019, August | PhD., Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University Older Adults' Health Path Analysis |

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

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| 2022-Present | Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track), Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University |
| 2021-2022 | Methodology Center Coordinator, Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University |

RESEARCH INTEREST

His research focuses on developing and applying mathematical modeling methods to evaluate public health and social issues in disparities in accessing healthcare and social resources. Using both qualitative and quantitative approaches, he examines gaps in accessing both quality and affordability of healthcare. Also, investigates barriers to accessing mainstream financial products and promotes multi-generational workplaces in the social context.

AWARDS & HONORS

Aaron H. Beckerman Research Award (2018, May)

First place award in the annual Center for Healthy Aging in Multicultural Populations (CHAMP) student poster competition (2015, April)

EXTERNAL & CONTRACT FUNDING

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| 2025-2026 (awarded) | Principal Investigator Mother Cabrini Health Foundation – Mental and Behavioral Health Grant Evaluation Study: The Impact of Virtual Senior Center on Older Adults' Well-being. Total: \$100,000 |
| 2023-2025 (awarded) | Co – Investigator Center for Rural Pennsylvania A comparative Analysis of Job |

Urban caseworkers in Pennsylvania's Child Welfare Agencies
Total: \$17,190

2020-2024
(*awarded*) **Consultant** (PIs: Drs. Mingon Kang, Ji Yoo, University of Nevada, Las Vegas)
The Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services Minority Research Program (CMS)
'Ethnic-Specific opioid risk prediction in primary care using deep learning.'
Total: \$300,000

INTERNAL GRANT FUNDING

2024-2025
(*awarded*) **Principal Investigator**
Yeshiva University: Faculty Research Fund
Connected and Engaged: Exploring the Impact of Online Programming on Older
Adults' Well-Being
Total: \$3,000

2022-2023
(*awarded*) **Principal Investigator**
Yeshiva University: Faculty Research Fund
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study. *American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation*, 102(8), 715-719.

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- [4] **Lee, S.R** & Kim, L.S² (2022). Co-residence of Older Parents and Adult Children Benefits Older Adults' Psychological well-being: Path Analysis. *International Journal of Alzheimer's Disease*.

[12] Kim, Y.M., Kovarie, G., **Lee, S.R.** (2023). Identifying the predictors of turnover intentions

San Francisco, CA.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Public Health Association (APHA)
Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
Gerontological Society of America (GSA)
Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR)
State Society on Aging of New York (SSA)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2024-presnet Judging Panel for Students Awards, Gerontological Society of America (GSA) – Aging among Asians (AAA)

2023-present Associate editor, Journal for Theoretical and Philosophical Psychology

2023-present Research Sharing Committee (KR Talk), Korean American Social Work Educators Association (KASWEA)
Elected Chair for 2025-2027

2023-present Professional Development Committee, Korean American Social Work Educators Association (KASWEA)

2023-2024 Guest Associate editor, Frontiers in Public Health | Aging and Public Health

UNIVERSITY & DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

2023-present Yeshiva University: Sequence Chair, Electives

2023-present Yeshiva University: Continuing Education committee

2023-present Yeshiva University: PhD program Steering committee

2022 Yeshiva University: CSWE conferences workshop

2021-2024 Yeshiva University: Doctoral Research (“Bootcamp”) – Developed the program to supervise dissertation and to provide mentorship, coordinating workshops and writing center for PhD students, as well as IRB liaison.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2024 The Retirement Research Foundation (RRF) | Foundation for Research Enhancing Older Adults’ Quality of Life through Digital Means: A Longitudinal Study. (*Not awarded*)

2024 Creating Ambassadors to an Aging Society Through Intergenerational Community Engagement. (*Not awarded*)

Spencer Grant
Co-Investigator with Dr. Levy-Storms, Lené (UCLA)

- 2023-present Using Virtual Reality Technology to Improve Experiential Learning in Online Classes (PI: Dr. Hanni B. Flaherty)
Co-author with Drs., Henshaw, L.A., Bekerman, N., Auerbach, C.
- 2022 Nevada Interprofessional Health Aging Network (NIHAN) Development and optimization of the age-friendly healthcare system.
Consultant & Training personnel (PI: Dr. Yoo Ji, University of Nevada, Las Vegas) (*Not awarded*)
- 2021 Opioid Safety Climate: Education and Patient Centered Approach
Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PICORI)
Co-Investigator with Dr. SeWon Lee (*Not awarded*)
- 2017-2019 Investigating the effectiveness of the school safety systems on student connectedness and school performance.
National Institute Justice, R01 (PI: Dr. Matthew J Cuellar)
Research Coordinator
- 2014-2016 Cognition and Aging Lab (PI: Dr. Sarah J Barber)
Department of Psychology, San Francisco State University
Research Assistant
- 2015 Cognitive Psychophysiology Lab (PI: Dr. Mark Geisler)
Department of Psychology, San Francisco State University
Project “*Your brain on stereotypes: Social context biases early cortical attention.*”
Research Assistant

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

- 2020-2021 HCA Healthcare Center, Graduate Medical Education
2019-2020 Kei Ai LA Health Center
2017-2018 Triboro Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing, Social Work Intern
2016-2017 Selfhelp, Inc., Latimer Garden Senior Center & Virtual Senior Center, Intern

INSTRUCTOR of RECORD

- [7] Social Practice School – Master’s level
Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University
- [6] Social Gerontology – Master’s level
Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University
- [5] Social Work Practice and Evaluation Research – Master’s Level
Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University

- [4] Dissertation Proposal Seminar I & II – PhD level
Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University
- [3] Strategies of Inquiry Qualitative and Quantitative Research – Ph.D. Level
Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University
- [2] Fundamentals of Applied Statistics – Ph.D. Level
Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University
- [1] Social Work Practice with Older Adults – Guest Lecture
Department of Social Work, University of South Dakota (Dr. Roh Soonhee)
School of Social Work, University of Alaska (Dr. Matthew J Cuellar)

GRADUATE STUDENT DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

Ph.D. Dissertation Committee Chair

In progress:

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| 2024 | Molly Miskiewicz | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2023 | Maria Kazaki | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2023 | Charmain Williams | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |

Ph.D. Dissertation Committee member

Completed:

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| 2024 | Francine Plata | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2024 | Maryann Ponton | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2024 | Sumantha Sen | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2024 | Nakia Miller | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2022 | Howard Chi | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2022 | Melanie Zuckerman | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2022 | Hannah Phillip | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2021 | Michele Bialeck | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |

In progress:

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| 2024 | Defny Gamboa | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2024 | Shira Silton | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2024 | Perl Stein | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |
| 2023 | Sheila Singleton | Yeshiva University, Wurzweiler School of Social Work |