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Associate Research Scientist

Telehealth Institute

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Research Interests: Health services research, implementation research, medical decision making, physician-patient communication, social dimensions of health and illness, medical sociology, qualitative methodology

Education

- 2012 Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship, United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center/Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas
- Health Services Research (Advisors: Richard L. Street, Jr. & Aanand D. Naik)
- 2010 Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona
- Doctoral Dissertation: “Prescription Drug Advertising and the Biomedical Construction of Affective Disorder: Effects for Consumers, Physicians, and Society” (Advisor: Cecilia Menjivar)
- 2004 Master of Arts in Sociology, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas
- Master’s Thesis: “Direct to Consumer Advertising and Labeling of Mood Disorders” (Advisor: Adam Rafalovich)
- 2002 Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Minor in Sociology, Cum Laude, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas

Professional History

- 2025 – Current Associate Research Scientist, Texas A&M University, Health Science Center, Telehealth Institute, College Station, Texas.
- Health Science Specialist, United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center/Baylor College of Medicine, Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness, and Safety (IQuEST), Implementation and Innovation Program, Houston, Texas.

- 2024 – 2025 Professor of Sociology, University of Houston-Clear Lake, College of Human Sciences & Humanities, Program in Sociology, Houston, Texas.
- Health Science Specialist, United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center/Baylor College of Medicine, Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness, and Safety (IQuEST), Implementation and Innovation Program, Houston, Texas.
- 2018 – 2024 Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Houston-Clear Lake, College of Human Sciences & Humanities, Program in Sociology, Houston, Texas.
- Sociology Program Director, University of Houston-Clear Lake, College of Human Sciences & Humanities, Houston, Texas.
- Health Science Specialist, United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center/Baylor College of Medicine, Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness, and Safety (IQuEST), Implementation and Innovation Program, Houston, Texas.
- 2012 – 2018 Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Houston-Clear Lake, College of Human Sciences & Humanities, Program in Sociology, Houston, Texas.
- Health Sciences Specialist, United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center/Baylor College of Medicine, Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness, and Safety (IQuEST), Implementation and Innovation Program, Houston, Texas.
- 2010 – 2012 Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center/Baylor College of Medicine, Center for Innovations in Quality, Effectiveness, and Safety (IQuEST), Implementation and Innovation Program, Houston, Texas.
- Instructor of Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine, Section on Health Services Research, Houston, Texas.
- 2008 – 2010 Research Fellow, Division of Graduate Studies, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona.
- 2005 – 2008 Graduate Instructor, Department of Sociology, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona.
- 2002 – 2004 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas.

Funded Research

"Integrating Veteran-Centered Care for Advanced Liver Disease (I-VCALD)." 2023. VA Investigator Initiated Research Grant (PI: Fasiha Kanwal) Role: Sub-contract PI, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$1,513,109. [IIR 21-230 – HSR Study \(va.gov\)](#)

"Priorities Aligned Deprescribing for Persons Living with Dementia and their Caregivers." 2022. National Institute on Aging, Deprescribing Network (CoPIs: Aanand Naik and Holly Holmes) Role: Sub-contract PI, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$334,771.

"Effect of Patient Priorities Care Implementation in Older Veterans with Multiple Chronic Conditions." 2021. VA Investigator Initiated Research Grant (PI: Lilian Dindo) Role: Sub-contract PI, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$1,200,000. [IIR 20-079 – HSR&D Study \(va.gov\)](#)

"Optimizing Renin Angiotensin System Blocker Use among Veterans with Kidney Disease." 2020. VA Investigator Initiated Research Grant (PI: Sankar Navaneethan) Role: Sub-contract PI, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$1,199,010. <https://reporter.nih.gov/project-details/9950801>

"Patient Centered Care for Individuals with Advanced Liver Disease." 2018. VA Investigator Initiated Research Grant (PIs: Aanand Naik and Fasiha Kanwal) Role: Sub-contract PI, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$989,057. <https://reporter.nih.gov/project-details/9701020>

"Point-of-Care Health Literacy and Activation Information to Improve Diabetes Care." 2014. VA HSR&D CREATE Grant (PI: LeChauncy Woodard) Role: Sub-contract PI, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$1,094,500. <https://clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT01876485>

"Genomic-Based Targeted Therapy and Management of Advanced Non-small Cell Lung Cancer." 2013. VA Investigator Initiated Research Grant (PI: Teresa Hayes) Role: Sub-contract PI, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$833,025. <https://reporter.nih.gov/project-details/8488021>

"Comparative Effectiveness of Surveillance Endoscopy for Barrett's Esophagus." 2010. National Institute of Health (PI: Hashem El-Serag) Role: Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$1,956,173. <https://reporter.nih.gov/project-details/8037285>

"Direct-to-Consumer Advertising of Antidepressant Medications: Effects for Consumers, Physicians, and Society." 2008. Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Division of Graduate Studies, Arizona State University.

"Doctoral Dissertation Research: Direct-to-Consumer Advertising of Antidepressant Medications: Effects for Consumers, Physicians, and Society." 2008. Sociology Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, Division of Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences, National Science Foundation. Award: \$4,625. https://nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD_ID=0828582&HistoricalAwards=false

Research Mentoring and Consulting

"Improving Outcomes among Mexican and Central-American Patients with Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease." 2022. K23 Award submitted to National Institute of Minority Health and Disparities, National Institutes of Health (PI: Maya Balakrishnan) Role: Mentor, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$874,672.

"Improving Outcomes among Mexican and Central-American Patients with NAFLD." 2022. American College of Gastroenterology (PI: Maya Balakrishnan) Role: Mentor, Qualitative Methodologist. Award: \$50,000.

"The Modifiable Determinants of Health Behaviors: A Qualitative Study." 2020. Unfunded Research Project (PI: Maya Balakrishnan) Role: Qualitative Methods Consultant.

"Patient Priorities Care for Hispanics with Dementia." 2020. (CoPIs: Anand Naik and Rafael Samper-Ternent) Role: Qualitative Methods Consultant. Award: \$40,000.

"Assessing Survivorship Needs within Uninsured and Underinsured Communities." 2015. Unfunded Research Project (PI: Polly Niravath) Role: Qualitative Methods Consultant.

"Patient-Centered Comparative Effectiveness of Colorectal Cancer Surveillance in IBD." 2015. Career Development Award, Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America (PI: Jason Hou) Role: Qualitative Methods Consultant. Award: \$817,850.

"Integrating Peer Support across the PTSD Continuum of Care." 2015. Career Development Award, United States Department of Veterans Affairs Health Services Research and Development (PI: Natalie Hundt) Role: Qualitative Methods Consultant. Award: \$618,500.

Publications

Arney, J., J. Banks, M. Mecca, A.G. Catic, S. Wydermyer, M. Shanahan, M. Zenoni, L. Kiefer, L. Dindo, T. Fried, & A.D. Naik. "Identifying Implementation Needs and Developing Strategies to Optimize Integration of Patient Priorities Care in Primary Care: A Qualitative Formative Evaluation of Two Study Sites." *Journal of General Internal Medicine* In press

Naik, A.D., M.L. Shanahan, L. Dindo, M.C. Mecca, **J. Arney**, A.B. Amspoker, S. Wydermyer, J. Banks, R.L. Street, L. Kiefer, M. Zenoni, T. Rosen, R.D. Gonzalez, A. Catic, T.R. Fried. 2024. "An Innovative Approach to Aligning Healthcare with What Matters Most to Patients: A Hybrid Type 1 Trial Protocol of Patient Priorities Care for Older Adults with Multiple Chronic Conditions." *Contemporary Clinical Trials* 143:e107613

Smith, A.H., H. Touchett, P. Chen, T. Fletcher, **J. Arney**, J. Hogan, M. Wassef, M. Cloitre, J. Lindsay. 2024. "Patient Satisfaction with a Coach-Guided Technology-Based Mental Health Treatment: Qualitative Interview Study and Theme Analysis." *JMIR Mental Health* 11:e50977.

Arney, J., L.P. Gregg, S. Wydermyer, M.A. Herrera, P.A. Richardson, M.E. Matheny, J.M. Akeroyd, G.T. Gobbel, A. Hung, S.S. Virani, & S.D. Navaneethan. 2023. "Prescribing Practices and Patient

Experiences with Renin Angiotensin System inhibitors use in Chronic Kidney Disease: A Qualitative Study.” *CardioRenal Medicine* 14(1):34-44.

Gregg, L.P., P.A. Richardson, A. Herrera, J.M. Akeroyd, S.A. Jafry, G.T. Gobbel, S. Wydermyer, **J. Arney**, A. Hung, M.E. Matheny, S.S. Virani, & S.D. Navaneethan. 2023. “Documented Adverse Drug Reactions and Discontinuation of Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitors and Angiotensin Receptor Blockers in Chronic Kidney Disease.” *American Journal of Nephrology* 54:126-135.

Samper-Ternent, M. Tinetti, L. Jennings, R. Wong, **J. Arney**, & A.D. Naik. 2022. “Better Care for Older Hispanics: Identifying Priorities and Harmonizing Care.” *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society* 70(6):1889-1894.

Arney, J., C. Gray, J.A. Clark, D. Smith, A. Swank, D.D. Matlock, J. Melchor; F. Kanwal, & A.D. Naik. 2022. “Prognosis Conversations in Advanced Liver Disease: A Qualitative Interview Study with Health Professionals and Patients.” *PLoS One* 17(2):e0263874.

Gray, C., **J. Arney**, J.A. Clark, A.M. Walling, F. Kanwal, & A.D. Naik. 2022. “The Chosen and the Unchosen: How Eligibility for Liver Transplant Influences the Lived Experiences of Patients with Advanced Liver Disease.” *Social Science and Medicine* 305:115113.

Arney, J., C. Gray, A.M. Walling, J.A. Clark, D. Smith, J. Melchor, F. Kanwal, & A. D. Naik. 2022. “Two Mental Models of Integrated Care for Advanced Liver Disease: Qualitative Study of Multidisciplinary Health Professionals.” *BMJ Open* 12(9):e062836.

Naik, A.D., **J. Arney**, J.A. Clark, L.A. Martin, A.M. Walling, A. Stevenson, D. Smith, S.M. Asch & F. Kanwal. 2020. “Integrated Model for Patient-Centered Advanced Liver Disease Care.” *Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology* 18(5):1015-1024.

Arney, J., E.A. Odom, C. Brown, L. Jones, N. Kamdar, L. Kiefer, N. Hundt, H.S. Gordon, A.D. Naik & L.D. Woodard. 2019. “The Value of Peer Support for Self-Management of Diabetes among Veterans in the Empowering Patients in Chronic Care Intervention.” *Diabetic Medicine* 37(5):805-813.

Arney, J., K. Thurman, L. Kiefer, N.E. Hundt, A.D. Naik & L.D. Woodard. 2018. “Qualitative Findings on Building a Partnered Approach to Implementation of a Group-Based Diabetes Intervention in VA Primary Care.” *BMJ Open* 8:1-9.

Arney, J., A. Helm, U. Braun, G.J. Chen & T.G. Hayes. 2018. “Barriers and Facilitators to the use of Genomic-Based Targeted Therapy in the VA: Qualitative Findings.” *Federal Practitioner* 35:S53-S56.

Arney, J., A. Helm, T. Crook, U. Braun, G.J. Chen & T.G. Hayes. 2018. “Utilization of Genomic Testing in Advanced Non-small Cell Lung Cancer among Oncologists in the Veterans Health Administration.” *Lung Cancer* 116:25-29.

- Hundt, N.E., T.L. Barrera, **J. Arney**, & M.A. Stanley. 2016. ““It’s Worth it in the End:” Veterans Experiences in Prolonged Exposure and Cognitive Processing Therapy.” *Cognitive and Behavioral Practice* 24:50-57.
- Hundt, N., A. Robinson, **J. Arney**, M.A. Stanley, & J.A. Cully. 2015. “Veterans’ Perspectives on Benefits and Drawbacks of Peer Support for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder.” *Military Medicine* 180:851-856.
- Hundt, N.E., J.M. Mott, S.R. Miles, **J. Arney**, J.A. Cully, & M.A. Stanley. 2015. “Veterans’ Perspectives on Initiating Evidence-Based Psychotherapy for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder.” *Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy* 7:539-546.
- Chen, G.J., **J. Arney**, A. Helm, U. Braun, P. Richardson, P. Chen, & T.G. Hayes. 2015. “Genomic-Based Targeted Therapy and Management of Advanced Non-small Cell Lung Cancer: Protocol for a Qualitative Study of Oncologists’ Perceptions and Behaviors Regarding Genomic-Based Targeted Therapy.” *Journal of Solid Tumors* 5:33-43.
- Arney, J.** & C. Menjivar. 2014. “Disease Mongering in Direct-to-Consumer Advertising and the Expansion of the Antidepressant Market.” *Sociological Inquiry* 84:519-544.
- Arney, J.**, R.L. Street Jr., & A.D. Naik. 2014. “Factors Shaping Physicians’ Willingness to Accommodate Medication Requests.” *Evaluation and the Health Professions* 37:349-365.
- Arney, J.**, M. Hinojosa-Lindsey, R.L. Street Jr., J.K. Hou, H.B. El-Serag, & A.D. Naik. 2014. “Patient Experiences with Surveillance Endoscopy: A Qualitative Study.” *Digestive Diseases and Science* 59:1378-1385.
- Naik, A.D., M. Hinojosa-Lindsey, **J. Arney**, H.B. El-Serag, & J.K. Hou. 2013. “Choosing Wisely and the Perceived Drivers of Endoscopy Use.” *Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology* 11:753-755.
- Arney, J.** & B. Lewin. 2013. “Models of Physician-Patient Relationships in Pharmaceutical Direct-to-Consumer Pharmaceutical Advertising and Consumer Interviews.” *Qualitative Health Research* 23:937-950.
- Arney, J.**, R.L. Street Jr. & A.D. Naik. 2013. “Consumers’ Various and Surprising Responses to Direct-to-Consumer Advertisements in Magazine Print.” *Patient Preference and Adherence* 7:95-102.
- Hinojosa-Lindsey, M., **J. Arney**, S. Heberlig, J.R. Kramer, R.L. Street Jr., H.B. El-Serag, & A.D. Naik. 2013. “Patients’ Intuitive Judgments about Surveillance Endoscopy in Barrett’s Esophagus: A Review and Application to Models of Decision Making.” *Diseases of the Esophagus* 26:682-689.
- Kramer, J.R., **J. Arney**, G.J. Chen, P. Richardson, Z. Duan, R.L. Street Jr., M. Hinojosa-Lindsey, A.D. Naik & H.B. El-Serag. 2012. “Patient-centered, Comparative Effectiveness of Esophageal Cancer Screening: Protocol for a Comparative Effectiveness Research Study to Inform Guidelines

for Evidence-Based Approach to Screening and Surveillance Endoscopy.” *BMC Health Services Research* 12:288-295.

Arney, J. & R. Weitz. 2012. “Gendering Affective Disorders in Direct-to-Consumer Advertisements.” Pp. 161-180 in *Research in the Sociology of Health Care*. Vol 30, *Issues in Health and Health Care Related to Race/Ethnicity, Immigration, SES, and Gender*, edited by J. J. Kronenfeld. United Kingdom: Emerald.

Arney, J. & A. Rafalovich. 2007. “Incomplete Syllogisms as Techniques of Medicalization: The Case of Direct-to-Consumer Advertising in Popular Magazines, 1997-2003.” *Qualitative Health Research* 17:47-60.

Manuscripts in Progress

Balakrishnan, M., M. Ibarra, C. Arguelles, Y. Garcia-Alyon, A. Moreleon, J. Montealegre, N.I. Heredia, A.D. Naik, F. Kanwal, & **J. Arney**. “Navigating Weight Loss: The Lived Experience of Mexican American Patients with MASLD.” In progress

Patel, A., A. Walling, **J. Arney**, C. Gray, A.D. Naik, & F. Kanwal. “Implementation Needs and Strategies to Promote Integrated Care for Veterans with AdvLD: Qualitative Formative Evaluation of Four Study Sites.” In progress

Shanahan, M., **J. Arney**, B. Chandler, T. Fried, & A.D. Naik. “Characterizing the Effect of PPC on the Development of Values-Aligned, Specific Health Care Goals.” In progress

Arney, J., J. Banks, M. Shanahan, R. Samper-Ternent, D. Giza, H. Holmes & A.D. Naik. “Understanding Goal Setting for Patients Living with Dementia and the Role of the Caregiver in the Dyadic Priorities-Identification Process.” In progress

Giza, D., **J. Arney**, et al. “Adapting PPC for Breast Cancer Survivors.” In progress

Conference Presentations

Banks, J., M. Mecca, A.G. Catic, S. Wydermyer, T. Fried, L. Kiefer, L. Dindo, A. D. Naik, & **J. Arney**. 2023, May. “What Challenges do Health Care Providers Perceive as Existing toward Adaptation of Patient Priorities Care?” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Geriatrics Society, Long Beach, CA.

Gregg, L.P., P.A. Richardson, J.M. Akeroyd, S.A. Jafry, G. Gobbel, S. Wydermyer, **J. Arney**, A. Hung, M.E. Matheny, S.S. Virani, & S.D. Navaneethan. 2022, November. “Adverse Drug Reactions and ACEi or ARB Discontinuation in CKD.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Nephrology: Kidney Week 2022, Orlando, FL.

Hou, J.K., R. Taylor, I. Gonzalez, H.B. El-Serag, A.D. Naik, & **J. Arney**. 2018, January. “Patient Experiences with Colorectal Cancer Surveillance in Inflammatory Bowel Disease: A Qualitative Study.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Crohn’s and Colitis Congress, Las Vegas, NV.

Hundt, N.E., T. Barrera, **J. Arney** & M.A. Stanley. 2016, November. ““It’s Worth it”: Veterans’ Experiences in Prolonged Exposure and Cognitive Processing Therapy.” Poster Presentation: Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society for the Traumatic Stress Studies, Dallas, TX.

Arney, J., K. Thurman, H.B. El-Serag & A.D. Naik. 2015, October. “The Role of Health Values in Decisions about Cancer Screening.” Poster Presentation: Presented at the annual meeting of the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare, New Orleans, LA.

Hundt, N.E., A. Robinson, **J. Arney**, M.A. Stanley & J.A. Cully. 2015, July. “Integrating Peer Providers into the System of PTSD Care.” Poster Presentation: Presented at the VA HSR&D/QUERI National Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Hundt, N.E., J.M. Mott, S.M. Miles, **J. Arney**, J.A. Cully & M.A. Stanley. 2015, July. “Veterans’ Perspectives on Initiating Evidence-Based Psychotherapy for PTSD.” Presented at the VA HSR&D/QUERI National Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Arney, J. & C. Menjivar. 2014, August. “Disease Mongering in Direct-to-Consumer Advertising and the Expansion of the Antidepressant Market.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Arney, J. & R. Weitz. 2012, August. “Gendering Affective Disorders in Direct-to-Consumer Advertisements.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, Denver, CO.

Hinojosa-Lindsey, M., **J. Arney**, J.R. Kramer, H.B. El-Serag, R.L. Street Jr. & A.D. Naik. 2012, May. “Patients’ and Gastroenterologists’ Perspectives on Adherence to Surveillance Endoscopy for Barrett’s Esophagus.” Poster Presentation: Presented at Dan L. Duncan Cancer Center Symposium, Houston, TX.

Hinojosa-Lindsey, M., **J. Arney**, J.R. Kramer, H.B. El-Serag, R.L. Street Jr. & A.D. Naik. 2012, May. “Patients’ and Gastroenterologists’ Perspectives on Adherence to Surveillance Endoscopy for Barrett’s Esophagus.” Poster Presentation: Presented at Digestive Disease Week (DDW) conference, San Diego, CA.

Arney, J., R.L. Street & A.D. Naik. 2011, October. “Do Physicians’ Perceptions of their Patients Affect Prescribing Decisions?” Poster Presentation: Presented at the annual meeting of the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare, Chicago, IL.

Arney, J. 2011, March. “Explaining Patterns of Depressive Disorder in the Population: Why Does Depression Occur Along Gendered Lines?” Presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.

Arney, J. 2010, March. "Archetypal Roles in Physician-Patient Encounters as Reflected in DTCA and Physician and Patient Narratives." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Houston, TX.

Arney, J. 2009, March. "The Medicated Self: Depictions of Antidepressant Use in DTCA and in Patient Narratives." Presented at the annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, CA.

Arney, J. 2008, March. "Analysis of Behavioral Domains as Predictors of Adolescent Peer Acceptance: Differences by Gender." Presented at the annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association. Portland, OR.

Arney, J. 2007, August. "Gendering of Mood Disorders in Consumer-Directed Print Advertisements." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, NY.

Arney, J. 2007, March. "Dramatization in the Death Care Industry: The Modern Funeral Director as Master Conductor of Theatrical Fiction." Presented at the annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA.

Arney, J. & A. Rafalovich. 2004, March. "The Neurochemical 'Self': Medicalization of Physical and Emotional Experiences in DTC Print Advertisements." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Sciences Association, Corpus Christi, TX.

Courses Taught

Medical Sociology; Sociology of Women's Health; Sociology of Mental Health and Illness; Research Methods; Qualitative Research Methods; Women in Society; Theories of Society; Social Structure: Class, Power, Status; Introduction to Sociology; Bioethics, Biotechnology, and the Body

Invited Lectures and Teaching

"Focusing on What Matters Most: An Innovative Approach to Care for Patients with Multiple Chronic Conditions." 2024, October. HSH Scholar Series. University of Houston-Clear Lake.

"Introduction to Medical Sociology." 2022, November. University of Houston-Clear Lake.

"Texas Women's Health." 2019, October. University of Houston-Clear Lake.

"Introduction to Medical Sociology." 2014, November. University of Houston-Clear Lake.

"Oncologists' Decision-Making in the Treatment of Advanced Lung Cancer." 2013, November. Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Faculty Research Series, University of Houston-Clear Lake.

"Introduction to Medical Sociology." 2013, May. University of Houston-Clear Lake.

“Introduction to Qualitative Methods.” Co-presenter: Dr. Sylvia Hysong. 2013, January. Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Center for Innovations in Quality, Efficacy, and Safety, Education Program.

“Applied Medical Sociology in Texas Medical Center.” 2012, November. Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Faculty Research Series, University of Houston-Clear Lake.

“Qualitative Methods Boot Camp.” 2012, September. Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Center for Innovations in Quality, Efficacy, and Safety, Education Program.

“Qualitative Methods in Health Services Research.” Co-presenter: Dr. Sylvia Hysong. 2012, April. Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, Center for Innovations in Quality, Efficacy, and Safety, Professional Development Seminar.

Thesis and Exam Committees

Thesis Committee, Member, Cameron Rollwitz, “Once I felt I had a choice, I didn’t choose religion”: Analysis of meaning among religious donees.” University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2024

Comprehensive Exam, Chair, Marymagdalene Okon-Itrechio, “The Strong Black Woman Schema in Professional Mental Health Treatment.” University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2023

Thesis Committee, Member, Camurria Cooper, “Nurses’ Views on Patients’ Credibility, Pain Assessment, and Pain Management.” University of Houston, 2022

Thesis Committee, Member, Juana Campos, “Rape Myths in the Local and National Newspaper Coverage of the Brock Turner Case.” University of Houston, 2020

Thesis Committee, Member, Deborah Thornton, “The Effects of Institutional Discrimination on the Successful Reentry of Ex-Offenders.” University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2018

Thesis Committee, Member, Yvonne Chen, “Beyond the Dress Code: Teaching the Hidden Curriculum through Regulating Students’ Bodies.” University of Houston, 2017

Professional Service

University Leadership Roles and Committees

Faculty Senate, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2023-2025

Faculty Senate Committee: Budget and Facilities Committee, Member, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2023-2025

Faculty Senate Shared Governance Committee: Facilities and Support Services, Member, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2023-2025

Faculty Senate Shared Governance Committee: Facilities and Support Services Sub-Committee: Environmental Health and Safety, Chair, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2024-2025

Sociology Program Director, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2018-2024

Committee on Education Policy, Member, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2018-2024

Faculty Development Support Fund Committee, Member 2013-2022, Chair 2022-2023, University of Houston-Clear Lake

Nursing Candidate Search Committee, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2021-2022

Promotion and Tenure Committees: Amy Lucas, Kim Dodson (2018); Isabelle Kusters (2025)

3rd Year Review Committee: Isabelle Kusters (2020); Nisha Mathews (2025)

Human Sciences and Humanities Scholarship Committee, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2014-2017

Public Health Candidate Search Committee, University of Houston-Clear Lake, 2015-2016, 2016-2017

Manuscript Referee

Patient Education and Counseling, Journal of General Internal Medicine, BMC Health Services Research, BMJ Open, Sociological Perspectives, BMC Medical Research Methodology, Social Science and Medicine, Journal of Family Medicine, Qualitative Health Research, American Journal of Managed Care, Health Expectations: An International Journal of Public Participation in Health Care and Health Policy, The Oncologist

Grant Reviewer, National Science Foundation, 2020

Professional Associations

American Sociological Association

Southwestern Social Sciences Association

American Academy on Communication in Healthcare