

EDUCATION

Michigan State University

Doctoral Candidate, School of Social Work

East Lansing, MI
August 2017 – Present

- Dissertation focus: Constructivist grounded theory study of moral injury and institutional betrayal experiences among military leadership (noncommissioned officers)
 - Chair: Dr. Angie Kennedy; Committee Members: Dr. Carrie Moylan, Dr. Adrienne Adams, Dr. Steven Gold
 - Dissertation proposal successfully defended 6/13/2024
- Impaneled Student Member of Michigan State University's College of Social Science Graduate Hearing Board
- Member of the Research Consortium on Gender-based Violence, which provides a collaborative, multi-disciplinary vehicle for Michigan State University faculty and students to engage in social action research that influences significant local, state, national and international practice and policy related to gender-based violence

Grand Valley State University

Master of Social Work

Allendale, MI
August 2009 – August 2011

- Phi Alpha Honor Society Merit Award Recipient
- Bachelor of Social Work*

May 2006 – April 2008

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Michigan State University

PSY 316: Children Exposed to Domestic Violence: Promoting Resiliency (Summer 2023; 2024)

East Lansing, MI

- Research Consortium on Gender-based Violence course offering
- Prevalence, context, and impact of domestic abuse on children and strategies for promoting resiliency

SW 811: Social Work Perspectives in Human Development (Spring 2022; 2024)

- Teaching Mentorship, Dr. Hyunkag Cho; Teaching Assistant, Dr. Ashlee Barnes-Lee
 - Developmental theories applied to individuals and families within an ecological and systems perspective
 - Biopsychosocial factors and interactions in human development for social work assessment and intervention

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Michigan State University

Research Assistant

East Lansing, MI
August 2024 – Present

- Dr. Rebecca Campbell and Dr. Katie Gregory
- Collaborate on qualitative coding of survivor and stakeholder interviews for the Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Research Project, a multidisciplinary study of Kalamazoo's untested rape kits

Research Team Member

2020 –2022

- Teaching, Researching, and Understanding the Social Science of Trust (TRUSST) Interdisciplinary Lab with Dr. Joe Hamm, Associate Professor, Criminal Justice
- Advance a scholarly understanding of trust that integrates knowledge from a variety of contexts and disciplines to improve lives through collaborative research
- Project Lead on qualitative study exploring how trust relationships between soldiers and their peers, their leaders, and the larger military institution progress across the deployment cycle, with an emphasis on vulnerability types and institutional betrayal
- Assist in qualitative coding and analysis on trust-related projects, including examination of perceptions of online court services during the pandemic

Full-time Research Assistant

2017 – 2021

- 2019- 2021; Dr. Angie Kennedy, Associate Professor, Social Work
 - National Science Foundation Law and Social Sciences Grant: Study on divorced women’s experiences of coerced debt: Oversee participant recruitment and screening, conduct quantitative and qualitative interviews, data entry, and analysis
 - Engage in research related to intimate partner violence and sexual trauma
 - Worked on grounded theory study of young women’s violence disclosures, with a focus on conceptualization and data analysis
- 2017-2019; Dr. Sacha Klein, Assistant Professor, Social Work
 - Worked collaboratively on a multidisciplinary research team with Dr. Klein, the Annie E. Casey Foundation, and Public Policy Associates on a nation-wide implementation and outcome program evaluation study for the *Teen Connect* Program
 - Responsible for the coordination of survey data collection among multiple child welfare agencies, data entry, preliminary data analysis, and report writing
 - Participated in facilitation of key informant interviews and focus groups
- 2018-2019; Relationship Violence and Sexual Misconduct (RVSM) Expert Advisory Workgroup
 - Worked with Dr. Carrie Moylan to assist in the development of an RVSM-related campus climate survey for faculty, staff and students, administered in Spring 2019

Grand Valley State University

Allendale, MI

Full-time Graduate Assistant

2009 – 2011

- Dr. Jeanne Arnold, Vice President of the Inclusion and Equity Division
 - Worked directly with the Vice President in coordinating activities related to the University Inclusion Implementation Plan
 - Worked with a variety of committees including: Gender Identity and Expression, University Climate Study, University MLK Executive Planning, and the Inclusion and Equity Advisory Board

PUBLICATIONS

Elizabeth Meier, LMSW

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- Kennedy, A.C., Prock, K. A., Adams, A., Littwin, A., **Meier, E.**, Saba, J., Vollinger, L. (2024). Can this provider be trusted? A review of the role of trustworthiness in the provision of community-based services for intimate partner violence survivors. *Trauma, Violence & Abuse*, 25(2), 982–999. <https://doi.org/10.1177/15248380231168641>
- Darcy, K. M., **Meier, E.**, Osuna, A. I., VanFossen, J. A., Ropp, J., & Hamm, J. A. (2022). Exploring power, vulnerability, and trust in public governance through the lens of feminist intersectionality. *EE Publishing Handbook on Trust in Public Governance*.
- Kennedy, A. C., **Meier, E.**, & Prock, K. A. (2021). A qualitative study of young women's abusive first relationships: What factors shape their process of disclosure? *Journal of Family Violence*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10896-021-00258-5>
- Kennedy, A.C, **Meier, E.**, & Saba, J. (2021). Sexual violence within intimate relationships. In Devaney, J., Bradbury-Jones, C., Macy, R. J., Øverlien, C., Holt, S. (Eds.), *Routledge international handbook of domestic violence and abuse (1st ed.)*. Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9780429331053>
- Moylan, C. A., Javorka, M., Maas, M., **Meier, E.**, McCauley, H. (2021). Campus sexual assault climate: Towards an expanded definition and improved assessment. *Psychology of Violence*, 1 (3), 296–306. <https://doi.org/10.1037/vio0000382>
- Ropp, J., Darcy, K. M., **Meier, E.**, Osuna, A. I., VanFossen, J. A., Woessner, Z., & Hamm, J. A. (under review). Public expectations regarding online dispute resolution: A Comparison of dispute resolution processes during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Law & Society Review*.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Can This Provider be Trusted? a Review of the Role of Trustworthiness in the Provision of Community-Based Services for Intimate Partner Violence Survivors,” (abstract submitted), Recentering & Democratizing Knowledge: The Next 30 Years of Social Work Science, Society for Social Work and Research 28th Annual Conference.
- “Collaboration or Co-Optation? The Risks and Rewards of Community Partnerships,” Roundtable Discussion Leader, 12th National Harm Reduction Conference, New Orleans, LA, October 2018.
- “Understanding Anti-Violence Work Inside/Outside a Feminist Non-Profit Structure,” Panelist, The Revolution will not be Funded: Countering the Power of the Non-Profit Industrial Complex in Grand Rapids: GVSU Change U Activist Assembly, Grand Rapids, MI, February 2015.
- “Catch Them Early: The Role of Prevention Providers in Engaging Young and New Injection Drug Users,” Co-presenter, 10th Annual Michigan Substance Abuse Conference, Detroit, MI, September 2009.
- “Why Can’t We Be Friends? Building Relationships between Local Health Departments and Community-based Organizations,” Co-Presenter, 15th Annual STD & HIV Conference, Kalamazoo, MI, October 2009.

CLINICAL AND COMMUNITY WORK EXPERIENCE

Cherry Health Heart of the City Counseling Center, Grand Rapids, MI

Elizabeth Meier, LMSW

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January 2017 – August 2017; Therapist

- Provided therapy to individuals and families, with a focus on survivors of interpersonal trauma

Ionia Maximum Security Correctional Facility, Michigan Department of Corrections, Ionia, MI

January 2016 – December 2016; Therapist

- Assisted in the creation and implementation of trauma-informed correctional care programming
- Provided direct treatment to male prisoners (at both Level II and Level V maximum security, in segregation and general population units), including individual and group therapy, crisis intervention, psychoeducation, co-morbid substance abuse therapy, evaluation/assessment services, and case management

YWCA of West Central Michigan, Grand Rapids, MI

June 2010 – January 2016; Therapist

- Provided treatment to survivors (adults and children 4 & older) and perpetrators (adult) of domestic violence and sexual trauma
- Advocated for clients across multiple systems, including criminal justice, medical, child welfare/foster care, family court, including providing frequent expert witness testimony
- Facilitated psychoeducational batterers' intervention groups and the support group for woman-identified adult survivors of sexual trauma
- Frequently presented on the effects of domestic violence/sexual trauma on children and domestic violence perpetrator dynamics at trainings and community agencies
- Mentored MSW-level interns
- Strategized ways to improve trauma-informed delivery of support services for survivors and assisted in the implementation of new programming
- As a member of the Committee for Understanding Racial Equity, organized and facilitated internal trainings/events, and assisted in the planning of the racial justice campaign Stand Against Racism

The Grand Rapids Red Project, Grand Rapids, MI

June 2008 – March 2010; Outreach and Volunteer Coordinator

- Created, implemented, and facilitated community outreach trainings for new volunteers
- Organized and coordinated volunteer participation in outreach events
- Assisted with: grant writing and reporting, implementing the Overdose Intervention and Prevention Training Program, hepatitis C counseling/testing

Adult Viral Hepatitis Prevention and Programming, Michigan Department of Community Health, Lansing, MI

June 2008 – August 2009; Program Associate

- Served on the 15th Annual STD & HIV Conference Planning Committee
- Provided support to the Governor's-appointed Hepatitis C Advisory Task Force and served on its sub-committee, the Syringe Access Work Group

SERVICE/VOLUNTEER WORK

2024 – Present, Peer Reviewer: Journal of Interpersonal Violence

2022 – Present, Volunteer, Save a Warrior, Hillsboro, OH

- Serve as a peer volunteer through trauma recovery group work with female veterans, first responders, and corrections workers

2016 – 2023, Volunteer, HOPE Animal-Assisted Crisis Response, Midwest Region

- Assisted with 3-day certification training workshop consists of comprehensive training for essential skills needed for animal-assisted crisis response
- Provided grant writing consultation

2017 – 2019: Board Member, The Grand Rapids Red Project, Grand Rapids, MI

- Advise, govern, oversee policy and direction, participate in fundraising, and assist with leadership and promotion of the Red Project's mission to improve health, prevent HIV, and reduce risk.
- Co-chair: Board Governance and Nominating Committee
- Provide clinical supervision to interns and recovery coaches

2006 – 2017; Volunteer, The Grand Rapids Red Project, Grand Rapids, MI

- Provided consultation for staff members, including Recovery Coaches, on managing direct client service while maintaining healthy boundaries and promoting self-care
- Co-facilitated the Clean Works Harm Reduction Program Volunteer Training and Street Outreach Workshops
- On-site: Provided needle exchange/safer injection supplies, trained clients in overdose prevention and intervention, provided hepatitis C counseling and testing, educated on disease transmission, provided safer sex education, engaged in street outreach, and completed new client intake assessments as needed.

2014 – 2017; Volunteer, Partners for a Racism-free Community, Grand Rapids, MI

- Assist in the credentialing of organizations working toward creating an inclusive and racism-free environment

2006 – 2007; Volunteer, The Network, Grand Rapids, MI

- Co-facilitated LGBTQ youth support group discussions on self-esteem, self-confidence, healthy relationships dynamics, safer sex, identity development, politics, religion, and how to advocate for policy change