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### EDUCATION

University of Washington, Doctor of Philosophy, Department of Anthropology, August 2001  
*Dissertation*: “National Futures: The Child Question in Early Republican Turkey”

University of Washington, Master of Arts, Department of Anthropology, Spring 1993

Lewis and Clark College, Portland, OR, Bachelor of Arts, Honors in Comparative Religion,  
Minor in East Asian Studies, Spring 1990

### EMPLOYMENT

Director, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, 2015-present

Associate Director, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, 2012-2015

Acting Director, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, January – July 2014

Acting Associate Director, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, 2010-11

Associate Professor, School of Social Work, University of Connecticut, 2013-present

Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, University of Connecticut, 2009-2013

Assistant Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Studies and the  
School of Social Work, University of Connecticut, 2007-2009

Assistant Professor in Residence, Women’s Studies Program, Anthropology, & Human  
Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, 2004-2007

Lecturer, Women’s Studies and International Studies Programs, University of Kansas,  
2002-Spring 2004

Visiting adjunct lecturer, Women’s Studies Program and Anthropology, University of  
Kansas, 2001-2002

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social welfare policy; human rights; women and children’s rights movements; Middle East;  
humanitarianism; refugees; human rights through film; food insecurity/food justice; qualitative  
research methods; human rights pedagogies

### PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

Land, M., **Libal, K.**, & Chambers, J. (Eds.) (2021). *Beyond borders: The human rights of non-citizens at home and abroad*. Cambridge University Press.

Berthold, M. & **Libal, K. R.** (Eds.) (2019). *Refugees and asylum seekers: Interdisciplinary and comparative perspectives*. Praeger.

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2015). *Human rights-based community practice in the United States*. Springer.

**Libal, K. R.,** Berthold, S. M., Thomas, R., Healy, L. M. (Eds.) (2014). *Advancing human rights in social work education*. Council on Social Work Education Press.

Hertel, S. & **Libal, K.** (Eds.) (2011). *Human rights in the United States: Beyond exceptionalism*. New York/London: Cambridge University Press.

**PUBLICATIONS: JOURNAL ARTICLES** (\*denotes publication with graduate student or recent alum from the SSW graduate program)

\*Hall-Faul, M., D'Angelo, K., & **Libal, K.**, (2024). Promoting food justice and the right to adequate food in social work education. *Journal of Human Rights and Social Work*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s41134-023-00286-9>

**Libal, K.**, Harding, S., & \*Hall-Faul, M. (2022). Community and private sponsorship of refugees in the United States: Rebirth of a model. *Journal of Policy Practice and Research*, 3, 259-276.

**Libal, K.**, Harding, S., & \*Champagne, L. (2022). Solidarity work as political action: Advocating for refugees and asylum seekers, *Journal of Refugee Studies*, 35, 4, 1550-1567.

**Libal, K.**, Harding, S., Popescu, M., Berthold, S. M., & \*Felten, G. (2021). Human rights of forced migrants during the COVID-19 pandemic: An opportunity for mobilization and solidarity. *Journal of Human Rights and Social Work*, 6, 148-160.

**Libal, K.** & Kashwan, P. (2020). Solidarity in times of crisis. *Journal of Human Rights*, 19, 5, 537-546.

McPherson, J. & **Libal, K.** (2019) Human rights education in U.S. social work: Is the mandate reaching the field? *Journal of Human Rights*, 3, 308-325.

\*Chiarelli-Helminiak, C., \*Eggers, M., & **Libal, K.** (2018). The integration of human rights in U.S. social work education: Insights from a qualitative study. *Journal of Human Rights and Social Work*, 3, 2, 99-107.

\*Sundean, L. J., Polifroni, E. C., **Libal, K.**, McGrath, J. M. (2018). The rationale for nurses on boards in the voices of nurses who serve. *Nursing Outlook*, 66, 3, 223-232.

\*D'Angelo, K., **Libal, K.**, \*Seymour, N., & \*Hamel, R. (2017). After the "Great Recession": Excluding "able-bodied" adults from food entitlements in the United States. *Journal of Policy Practice*, 16, 4, 452-471.

\*Sundean, L. J., Polifroni, E. C., **Libal, K.**, McGrath, J. M. (2017). Nurses on health care governing boards: An integrative review. *Nursing Outlook*, 65, 4, 361-271.

Berthold, S. M & **K. Libal.** (2016). Migrant children's rights to health and rehabilitation: A primer for US social workers. *Journal of Human Rights and Social Work*, 1, 2, 1-11.

**Libal, K.** (2012). Sabiha Zekeriya Sertel: Turkish feminist, organizer, and journalist. *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work*, 27, 3, 328-337.

McDowell, T, **Libal, K.** & Brown, A. (2012). Human rights in the practice of family therapy: Domestic violence a case in point. *Journal of Feminist Family Therapy*, 24, 1, 1-23.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2012). Iraqi refugees and the humanitarian costs of the Iraq war: What role for social work? *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 21, 1, 94-104.

**Libal, K.** & Harding S. (2011). Humanitarian alliances: Local and international NGO partnerships and the Iraqi refugee crisis. *Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies*, 9, 2, 162-178.

**Libal, K.** & Parekh, S. (2009). Reframing violence against women as a human rights violation: Evan Stark's *Coercive Control*. *Violence Against Women*, 15, 12, 1477-1489.

This article appeared in a special issue of the journal that was recognized collectively as the 2009 Violence Against Women Best Article Award.

**Libal, K.** (2008). Staging Turkish women's emancipation: Istanbul, 1935. *Journal of Middle East Women's Studies* 4, 1, 31-52.

**Libal, K.** (2002). Children's rights in Turkey. *Human Rights Review*, 3, 1, 35-44.

**Libal, K.** (2000). The Children's Protection Society: Nationalizing child welfare in early republican Turkey. *New Perspectives on Turkey*, 23, 53-78.

**PUBLICATIONS: BOOK CHAPTERS** (\*denotes publication with graduate student or recent alum from the SSW graduate program)

**Libal, K.** & Kashwan, P. (2023). Solidarity in times of crisis. In S. Hertel & C. Buerger (Eds.), *Rights at stake and the COVID-19 pandemic: Two special issues of the Journal of Human Rights* (pp. 22-31). Routledge Press. [Reprint of an article that appeared in the *Journal of Human Rights* in 2020]

Land, M., **Libal, K.**, & \*Chambers, J. (2021). Introduction: The human rights of non-citizens. In M. Land, K. Libal, & J. Chambers (Eds.), *Beyond borders: The human rights of non-citizens at home and abroad* (pp. 1-19). Cambridge University Press.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2020). "Doing something to fight injustice": Voluntarism, private and community co-sponsorship, and refugee resettlement as political engagement in the United States, In S. Labman and G. Cameron (Eds.), *Private refugee sponsorship: Concepts, cases and consequences* (pp. 247-263). McGill-Queen's University Press.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2019). War and the public health disaster in Iraq. In C. Lutz and A. Mazzarino (Eds.), *War and Health: The Medical Consequences of the Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan* (pp. 111-136). NYU Press. [Revised and reprinted (with permission) from M. Singer & G.D. Hodge (Eds.), *The war machine and public health: A critical medical anthropological examination of the human costs of armed conflict and the international violence industry* (pp. 59-87). Rowman & Littlefield.]

Berthold, S. M. & **K. Libal** (2019). Future directions to support the rights of refugees and asylum seekers. In S. M. Berthold and K. Libal (Eds.), *Refugees and asylum seekers: Comparative and interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp. 137-146). Praeger.

**Libal, K.**, \*Felten, G., & Harding, S. (2019) State and community approaches to refugee resettlement: Voluntarism and the residual welfare state. In S. M. Berthold and K. Libal (Eds.), *Refugees and asylum seekers: Comparative and interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp. 74-98). Praeger.

**Libal, K.** & Berthold, S. M. (2019). Supporting refugees and asylum seekers in an era of backlash: An introduction. In S. M. Berthold and K. Libal (Eds.), *Refugees and asylum seekers: Comparative and interdisciplinary perspectives* (pp. 1-14). Praeger.

**Libal, K.** (2016). Poverty and emerging children's rights discourse in early republican Turkey. In B. Fortna (Ed.), *Childhood in the late Ottoman Empire and after* (pp. 48-72). Brill Press.

Healy, L. M., Berthold, S. M., Thomas, R., **K. R. Libal.** (2014). Fulfilling the rich potential of human rights in social work education. In Libal, K., Berthold, S. M., Thomas, R., Healy, L. M. (Eds.), *Advancing human rights in social work education* (pp. 3-18). Council on Social Work Education Press.

**Libal, K. R.** & Healy, L. M. (2014). Bringing human rights home in social work education. In Libal, K., Berthold, S. M., Thomas, R., Healy, L. M. (Eds.), *Advancing human rights in social work education* (pp. 140-161). Council on Social Work Education Press.

Berthold, S. M., Thomas, R., Healy, L. M., **Libal, K. R.** (2014). Epilogue: New frontiers in human rights and social work education. In Libal, K. R., Berthold, S. M., Thomas, R., Healy, L. M. (Eds.), *Advancing human rights in social work education* (pp. 497-508). Council on Social Work Education Press.

**Libal, K.** (2014). From the face veil to cloche hat: The backward Ottoman v. modern Turkish woman in urban public discourse. In S. Cronin (Ed.), *Coercion or empowerment? Official anti-veiling campaigns in the Middle East and Central Asia* (pp. 39-58). Routledge.

**Libal, K.** & Neubeck, K. (2013). The rights of the child to an adequate standard of living: Applying international standards to the U.S. case. In L. Minkler (Ed.), *The state of economic and social rights* (pp. 175-203). Cambridge University Press.

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2012). Nongovernmental organizations and global social change. In L. Healy & R. Link (Eds.), *International social work handbook* (pp. 311-317). Oxford University Press.

Al-Makhamreh, S. & **Libal, K.** (2012). The Middle East: Social work in the 21st Century. In K. Lyons, T. Hokenstad, M. Pawar, N. Huegler, & N. Hall (Eds.), *Sage Handbook of International Social Work* (pp. 451-465). Sage Press.

**Libal, K.** & Hertel, S. (2011). Paradoxes and possibilities: Domestic human rights policy in context. In S. Hertel & K. Libal (Eds.), *Human rights in the United States: Beyond exceptionalism* (pp. 1-22). Cambridge University Press.

**Libal, K.** (2011). Specifying Turkish modernity: Gender, family and nation-state making in the early republic. In G. Brockett (Ed.), *Towards a social history of modern Turkey: Essays in theory and practice* (pp. 78-96). Libra Kitap.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2010). War and the public health disaster in Iraq. In M. Singer & G.D. Hodge (Eds.), *The war machine and public health: A critical medical anthropological examination of the human costs of armed conflict and the international violence industry* (pp. 59-87). Rowman & Littlefield.

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2009). Challenging US silence: International NGOs and the Iraqi refugee crisis. In S. Martinez (Ed.), *International migration and human rights: The global repercussions of US policy* (pp. 216-233). University of California Press.

**Libal, K.** (2003). "The child question": The politics of child welfare in early republican Turkey. In M. Ener, M. Bonner, & A. Singer (Eds.), *Poverty and charity in Middle Eastern contexts* (pp. 255-272). State University of New York Press.

**Libal, K.** (2002). The robust child: Discourses on childhood and modernity in early republican Turkey. In D.T. Cook (Ed.), *Symbolic childhood* (pp. 109-130). Peter Lang.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Popescu, M., & **Libal, K. R.** (2018). Introduction: Social work practice with immigrants and refugees in an era of rising anti-immigrant sentiments. *Advances in Social Work, 18*, 3, i-x. Co-Editor of a Special Issue with 18 refereed journal articles.

Chapman, A., Hertel, S., Land, M., **Libal, K. R.**, Mitoma, G. T., Park, S. (2017). *Written Contribution on General Comment on State Obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the Context of Business Activities.*

<http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/CESCR/Discussions/2017/UniversityConnecticut.pdf>

**Libal, K.** (2016). Review of NAZAN MAKSUDYAN, *Orphans and Destitute Children in the Late Ottoman Empire* (Syracuse University Press, 2014). In *International Journal of Middle East Studies, 48*, 3, 613-615.

- Libal, K.,** Tomczak, S., Spath, R., & Harding, S. (2014). Commentary: Hunger in a “land of plenty”: A call for renewed social work action. *Social Work, 59*, 4, 366-369.
- Libal, K.** (2014). Erken Cumhuriyet döneminde gürbüz Türk çocuğu ve ulus (The robust Turkish child in the early Turkish republic). Trans. by Zeynep Yılmaz. *Altüst, 12* (Nisan/Haziran), 17-18.
- Libal, K. & Healy, L.** (2013). Discussion cases/vignettes for human rights and social work. In M. “T.” Hokenstad, L. M. Healy, & U. A. Segal (Eds.), *Teaching human rights: Curriculum resources for social work educators*. Council on Social Work Education Publications.
- Libal, K. & Healy, L.** (2013). Selected documentary films illustrating human rights concerns in the United States. In M. “T.” Hokenstad, L. M. Healy, & U. A. Segal (Eds.), *Teaching human rights: Curriculum resources for social work educators*. Council on Social Work Education Publications.
- Healy, L., **Libal, K.,** & Hokenstad, M. C. T. (2013). Human rights and social work bibliography of selected works. In M. “T.” Hokenstad, L. M. Healy, & U. A. Segal (Eds.), *Teaching human rights: Curriculum resources for social work educators*. Council on Social Work Education Publications.
- Libal, K. & Healy, L.** (2013). Human rights and social work: Outline of an elective course. In M. “T.” Hokenstad, L. M. Healy, & U. A. Segal (Eds.), *Teaching human rights: Curriculum resources for social work educators*. Council on Social Work Education Publications.
- Libal, K.,** Mapp, S.A., Ihrig, E. & \*Ron, A.V. (2011). Commentary: The Convention on the Rights of the Child: Children can wait no longer for their rights. *Social Work, 56*, 4, 367-370.
- Martinez, S. & **Libal, K.** (2011). Introduction: The gender of humanitarian narrative. *Humanity, 2*, 2, 161-170. [Introduction to special issue of *Humanity*, co-edited by S. Martinez & K. Libal]
- Libal, K. & Harding, S.** (2007). The politics of refugee advocacy and humanitarian assistance. *Middle East Report, 244*, 18-21.
- Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2007). Social development in Iraq: Reversing community disintegration and middle-class flight. In A. Awotona (Ed.), *Proceedings of an international conference on rebuilding sustainable communities in Iraq: Policies, programs and projects* (pp. 208-223). Boston: College of Public and Community Service, University of Massachusetts.
- Libal, K.** (2006). Women, gender and childhood: Social practices, pre-modern and modern: Ottoman Empire. In S. Joseph (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of women and Islamic cultures*, Vol. 3 (pp. 84-86). New York: Brill.
- Libal, K.** (2006). Women, gender and childhood: Social practices, pre-modern and modern: Turkey. In S. Joseph (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of women and Islamic cultures*, Vol. 3 (pp. 86-87). Brill.
- Libal, K.** (2005). Motherhood in the late Ottoman Empire and Turkish Republic. In S. Joseph (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of women and Islamic cultures*, Vol. 2 (pp. 515-517). Brill.
- Libal, K.** (1999). Review of *Familiar Strangers: A History of Muslims in Northwest China*, Jonathan M. Lipman (University of Washington Press, 1997). In *Middle East Studies Association Bulletin* 33, 2, 201-02.

## OTHER CREATIVE WORK

*A Legacy without Limits: Wiktor Osiatyński* (23 min). Executive Producer. This documentary celebrates the life and work of Polish human rights scholar and advocate Wiktor Osiatyński. Directed by Catherine Masud, the film features interviews with Wiktor’s family and friends, as well as colleagues at UConn, Open Society Foundations, the Central European University, and the Helsinki Foundation for Human

Rights, each reflecting on the impact of Wiktor’s legacy and what it means for human rights today and in the future. Screened at the Glastein Family Human Rights Institute’s conference, “Evolving landscapes of human rights: Celebrating 20 years of interdisciplinarity and innovation,” March 29, 2023.

*Giving Voice* (5 min). Short documentary film co-directed, co-edited, and co-produced with S. Harding. Reveals views of spoken word artist, Kane Smego on power of the art form to transform individuals and communities and to promote social justice. Carrboro, North Carolina. Screened at the Center for Documentary Studies, Duke University, as part of the 2012 Video Institute, June 16, 2012.

## MEDIA

### *Public Commentaries, Interviews:*

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2022). Tens of thousands of Afghan evacuees made it to the US – here’s how the resettlement process works. *The Conversation*, February 18. <https://theconversation.com/tens-of-thousands-of-afghan-evacuees-made-it-to-the-us-heres-how-the-resettlement-process-works-172207>

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2021). Will Biden’s plan to resettle Afghans transform the U.S. resettlement program? *The Georgetown Journal of International Affairs*, December 11. <https://gjia.georgetown.edu/2021/12/11/will-bidens-plan-to-resettle-afghans-transform-the-u-s-refugee-program/>

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2021, March 18) Community sponsorship key to increasing refugee resettlement in the United States. *CT Mirror*. Available at: <https://ctmirror.org/category/ct-viewpoints/community-sponsorship-key-to-increasing-refugee-resettlement-in-the-united-states/>

Mitoma, G. & **Libal, K.** (2021, January 12). To save democracy, recommit to principles of the rule of law and human rights at home. *CT Mirror*. Available at: <https://ctmirror.org/category/ct-viewpoints/to-save-democracy-recommit-to-principles-of-the-rule-of-law-and-human-rights-at-home/>

Berthold, S. M., & **Libal, K.** (2019, October 28). Op-ed: Migrant’s children’s rights to health and rehabilitation. Reprinted policy brief from the UConn Collaboratory on School and Child Health. *UConn Today*. <https://today.uconn.edu/2019/10/op-ed-migrant-childrens-rights-health-rehabilitation/>

Pressman, J., Berthold, S. M., & **Libal, K.** (2018, June 17). We must protect immigrant children’s rights. *The Courant*. <http://www.courant.com/opinion/op-ed/hc-op-pressman-immigrant-children-separate-20180615-story.html>

Land, M. & **Libal, K. R.** (2017). Trump is undermining higher education as a global enterprise. *Chronicle of Higher Education*. January 27. Available at: <http://www.chronicle.com/article/Trump-Is-Undermining-Higher/239060>

Harding, S. & **Libal, K. R.** (2017). The Trump administration’s covert strategy for ending refugee resettlement. *Truthout*. February 23. Available at: <http://www.truth-out.org/news/item/39584-the-trump-administration-s-covert-strategy-for-ending-refugee-resettlement>

### *Other Media:*

“School of Social Work Team Studies Refugee Resettlement.” *UConn Today*, February 15, 2018. Available at: <https://today.uconn.edu/school-stories/school-social-work-research-team-studies-refugee-resettlement/>

“Persecuted scholars at risk.” Radio talk show featuring several guests (Robert Quinn, Zalalem Kibret, Delarem Farzaneh, and Kathryn Libal) on the Scholars at Risk Program in the Trump Era, 1A (on First Amendment), WAMU 88.5 (NPR), Washington DC, January 30, 2017. Available at: <http://the1a.org/shows/2017-01-30/scholars-at-risk-dk>

“Scholar to address issues facing women in refugee camps.” Fordham News, March 10, 2017. Available at: <https://news.fordham.edu/colleges-and-schools/graduate-school-of-social-service/scholar-to-address-issues-facing-women-in-refugee-camps/>

“Kathryn Libal on building an interdisciplinary human rights classroom.” Duke TODAY, September 22, 2014. Available at: <https://today.duke.edu/2014/09/libal>

## FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND OTHER AWARDS

Guerra, O., **Libal, K.**, & Mitoma, G. (Co-PIs). *COVID-19 vaccine rollout in Stamford, CT: A multimedia archiving project*. Research Excellence Grant, 2022. University of Connecticut. Funded: \$25,000.

**Libal, K.** (PI). *Threatened Scholars Initiative Fund in support of hosting an at-risk scholar through the Gladstein Family Human Rights Institute, 2022-24*. Open Society University Network. Funded: \$160,000.

**Libal, K.** (PI). *Citizen mobilization and new solidarities opposing US and European restrictionism*. Research Facilitation Fund. University of Connecticut Office of Sponsored Research, Summer 2018. Funded: \$2000.

**Libal, K.** (Co-I). Business and human rights engaged research project. Faculty member and co-drafter of joint Human Rights Institute/Dodd Center/School of Business Provost’s Academic Plan Award. 2016-19. Funded: \$265,000.

**Libal, K.** (PI). *The politics of advocacy and service provision for Syrian refugees: A view from Turkey*. Sponsored by UConn School of Social Work Summer Research Stimulus Award, June 2016 - August 2016. Funded: \$1,500.

**Libal, K.** (PI). *Mobilizing for food justice in a land of plenty: Recognizing social work’s role*. Dean’s Research Incentive Award. Grant period: March 1, 2013-March 31, 2014. Funded: \$4966.

Bystrom, K., **Libal, K.**, & Orwicz, M. (Co-PIs). *Beyond Suffering: Human Rights, Humanitarianism, and the Media*. Submitted to the Human Rights Institute, Foundations of Humanitarianism Program competition for workshop and reading group support. Grant period: August 2009-May 2010. Funded: \$10,000.

**Libal, K.** *Forum on Disabilities, Human Rights, and Social Inclusion*. Submitted to the Human Rights Institute Grant for Campus Events to support visit of Professor Gunn Strand Hutchinson, Bodo University, Norway, to present at campus-based events on the Greater Hartford Campus and the Storrs Campus. Grant period: Spring 2010. Funded: \$2,350.

**Libal, K.** *Humanitarian and Human Rights Dimensions of the Iraq War*. Submitted to the Human Rights Institute Grant for Campus Events to support two campus-based events on the Greater Hartford Campus. Grant period: Spring 2009. Funded: \$2,350.

**Libal, K.** *Toward an Ethnographic Understanding of Non-governmental Politics, US Refugee Policy, and Iraqi Refugees*. Submitted to the UCONN Foundation, Large Faculty Grant Program. Grant period: June 1, 2008-May 31, 2009. Funded: \$12,460.

Martinez, S., **Libal, K.**, & E. Gilligan (Co-PIs). *The Gender of Humanitarian Narrative: Genealogies of Humanitarian/Human Rights Reportage, Outreach and Campaigning*. Submitted to the Human Rights Institute, Foundations of Humanitarianism, and Humanities Institute competition for workshop support, 3/08. Grant period: August 2008-May 2009. Funded: \$10,500.

**Libal, K.** *The Politics of Educating Girls in Turkey: Human Rights, State Building, and the European Union*. Submitted to the Human Rights Faculty Research Funding, University of Connecticut: summer travel and research, 2007. Grant period: June 2007-August 2007. Funded: \$2490.



**Libal, K.** Co-awardee (with Laura Graham) of a Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research Conference Grant, supported travel of an international participant to the 2006 AAA meetings, Funded: \$1500.

**Libal, K.** Travel award, Human Rights Institute, travel support for participation in conference on “Sharia, Reformist Thought, and Human Rights,” Oslo University, September 19-21, 2005. Funded: \$350.00.

**Libal, K.** Co-awardee (with Samuel Martinez), *Anthropology through Film*, General Education Course Development Grant, University of Connecticut, 2005-06. Grant period: 2005-06. Funded: \$10,000 (\$1,500 my portion).

**Libal, K.** Center for Teaching Excellence, Teaching Grant, University of Kansas, 2003

**Libal, K.** Title VI New Course Development Grant, Center for East Asian Studies, University of Kansas, 2003

**Libal, K.** Alvord Fellowship in the Humanities, University of Washington, 2000-01

**Libal, K.** Institute of Turkish Studies, Dissertation Writing Award, 1998-99

**Libal, K.** FLAS Fellowship, Middle East Studies Center, 1997-98

**Libal, K.** Stout Fellowship, University of Washington, 1997-98

**Libal, K.** Fulbright-Hayes Dissertation Fellow, 1996 (declined)

**Libal, K.** IIE Fulbright Scholars Award to Turkey, 1995-96 (declined)

**Libal, K.** Social Science Research Council Dissertation Research Fellow in Near and Middle Eastern Studies, 1995-96 (declined)

**Libal, K.** American Research Institute in Turkey Dissertation Fellowship Award, 1995-96 (declined)

Funding from FLAS, SSRC, and other University of Washington grants provided full support for studies from 1992-1995. Full list of awards available upon request.

## **PRESENTATIONS (Selected, 2005-2023)**

### **Professional Conferences, Meetings, and Colloquia**

**Libal, K.** (2023). Making the Universal Declaration of Human Rights a reality: The role of higher education. Sponsored by United Nations Academic Impact, United Nations, New York City, December 4.

**Libal, K.** (2023). Participant in “Democratic Renewal” stream at FORGE, “Reimagining Global Rights and Justice.” New York University, New York, November 2-5.

**Libal, K.,** (2023). Community sponsorship of refugees and asylum seekers: Why U.S. social work should care? Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meetings. Atlanta, GA, October 29, 2023.

**Libal, K.,** Berthold, S. M., & Harding, S. (2023). Assessing the promise and challenges of community-based sponsorship approaches to U.S. refugee resettlement in the United States. Switchboard/Arizona State University conference on “Reimagining Refugee Services in the United States,” Tucson, Arizona, August 22-24.

**Libal, K.** (2023). Launching university-based private sponsorship of refugee students in the USA: Insights from community sponsorship. Open Society University Network Working Group on Refugees, IDPs, and Host Community Education Speaker Series, “Geographies and Temporalities of Higher Education for Displaced Students,” June 19 (virtual).



Camp, Nathan, Chigas, D., **Libal, K.**, & McCall, A. (2020) Institutional approaches to hosting at-risk scholars. Association of International Education Administrators, Washington DC, February 20. (author order alphabetical)

**Libal, K.**, Berthold, S. M., Androff, D., & Harding, S. (2022). Deservingness, differential treatment, and dehumanization of refugees, asylees, and asylum-seekers. Annual Program Meetings of the Council on Social Work Education, Anaheim, CA, November 13.

Hall-Faul, M., Berthold, S. M., **Libal, K.** (2022). Fulfilling U.S. children's human rights through the UN Children's Rights Convention. Annual Program Meetings of the Council on Social Work Education, Anaheim, CA, November 13.

Gruner, W., **Libal, K.**, & Cohen, L. (2022). Who do we serve? Balancing fundraising, donor relations, and programmatic content. Panel at the "Navigating antisemitism, racism, and discrimination on college campuses" conference, Consortium of Higher Education Centers for Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights Studies Annual Conference, New York, June 30.

**Libal, K.** & Simon, D. (2022). Borders, refugees, and scholars at risk: War and genocide. Panel at the "Navigating antisemitism, racism, and discrimination on college campuses" conference, Consortium of Higher Education Centers for Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights Studies Annual Conference, New York, June 30.

**Libal, K.** (2022). Community sponsorship of refugees and asylum seekers in the United States: Acts of solidarity in contentious times. Invited presentation at international conference of the Connecticut - Baden Wurttemberg Human Rights Research Consortium, Storrs, CT, May 11.

D'Angelo, K., **Libal, K.**, & Hall-Faul, M. (2020). Food advocacy: Promoting social, economic, and environmental justice in social work education. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, virtual, November 16-20.

**Libal, K.** (2020). UConn Abrahamic programs for academic collaboration in the MENA region. Dead Sea Convergence: Ecology Conference. Dead Sea, Jordan, February 2.

**Libal, K.**, S. Harding, G. Felten, & S. M. Berthold. (2019). Social Work, voluntarism, and refugee resettlement: Fostering collaborative approaches. Presentation at Council on Social Work Education Annual Meetings, Denver, CO, October 27.

McPherson, J. & **Libal, K.** (2019). Teaching social workers to complete a human rights assessment. Presentation at SSWR Annual Meetings, Denver, CO, October 25.

**Libal, K.** (2019). From victim to collateral damage: The figure of the child refugee and asylum seeker in U.S. public discourse. Paper presented as part of an invited conference on "Shifting Frames: Migrant Children, Politics, and History" at the Institute for American and English Studies, University of Potsdam in cooperation with Bard College Berlin, Potsdam, Germany, May 2-3.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Human rights work in the United States during the Trump era. Public presentation for the Stiftungsnetzwerk Region Stuttgart e.V., Stuttgart, Germany, April 30.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Human rights education in U.S. social work: Challenges and opportunities in the Trump era. Colloquium presentation in the Institute of Educational Sciences, Tuebingen University, April 29.

Gonzalez Benson, O., Harding, S., **Libal, K.**, Darrow, J., & Im, H. (2019). Refugee resettlement amidst radical federal policy changes: New approaches and local actors' roles in social work practice with refugees & immigrants, Roundtable at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Meetings, San Francisco, CA, January 20.

**Libal, K.**, Felten, G., & Harding, S. (2019). "Doing something to fight injustice: Voluntarism and refugee resettlement as political engagement. Presentation at the Society for Social Work Research Annual

Meetings, San Francisco, CA, Jan. 19.

McPherson, J. & **Libal, K.** (2019). Is social work's human rights mandate reaching educators in the field? Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Meetings, San Francisco, CA, Jan. 19.

McPherson, J., **Libal, K.**, & Berthold, S. M. (2018). Putting the human rights mandate into U.S. social work education. Presentation at the CSWE APM, Orlando, FL, Nov. 11.

**Libal, K.** & McPherson, J. (2018). UN says U.S. poverty violates human rights: How should social work respond? Hot topic presentation at the CSWE APM, Orlando, FL, Nov. 10.

Harding, S., **Libal, K.**, & Berthold, S. M. (2018). Engaging social work to defend the U.S. refugee resettlement program. Peer-reviewed interactive workshop at the Annual Program Meetings of the Council on Social Work Education, Orlando, FL, November 9.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2018). "Doing something to fight injustice": Voluntarism and refugee resettlement as a mode of political engagement. Workshop on "Private Refugee Sponsorship: Concepts, Cases, and Consequences." Munk School of Global Affairs at the University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, October 18.

Harding, S., **Libal, K.** & Felten, G. (2018). Citizen mobilization and new solidarities opposing European and US restrictionism. The 17<sup>th</sup> Conference of the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration, Thessaloniki, Greece, July 25.

**Libal, K.** (2018). Human rights centers: Priorities and challenges. Invited panelist at the "Campus Human Rights Conference," Donia Human Rights Center, University of Michigan, November 30.

**Libal, K.** (2018). Human rights-based approaches to social work practice. Invited colloquium at West Chester University Department of Graduate Social Work. April 12.

**Libal, K.** (2018). Social work and supporting refugee resettlement in uncertain times. Invited workshop presenter at Fordham University's Graduate School of Social Service, March 16.

Hayes, C. R., Eggers, M., & **Libal, K.** (2017). Closing the health gap: Women of Color organizing for reproductive justice. Presentation at the Annual Program Meetings of the Council on Social Work Education, Dallas TX, October 22.

**Libal, K.**, Harding, S., Popescu, M., Berthold, S. M., Felten, G., & Zubaroglu, P. (2017). Refugees and xenophobia: Social work responses in the U.S. and Europe. "Hot Topics" presentation at the Annual Program Meetings of the Council on Social Work Education, Dallas TX, October 21.

**Libal, K. R.**, Harding, S. & Popescu, M. (2017). Voluntarism and refugee integration in a context of rising xenophobia and racism. International Metropolis Conference 2017, The Hague, Netherlands, September 21.

**Libal, K. R.** (2017). The economic empowerment of refugee women: Perspectives from the Syrian refugee crisis. Keynote lecture delivered at the Commission on the Status of Women side-accord event sponsored by Fordham University's Graduate School of Service on "Migration and women's rights: Employment challenges, empowerment, and best practices." Fordham University, New York, March 18.

Mapp, S., **Libal, K. R.**, Berthold, S. M., Androff, D. (2016). Impacts of U.S. immigration policy on children and effective inter-professional response. Presentation at the Annual Program Meetings of the Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA, November.

Androff, D., McPherson, J., Berthold, S. M., **Libal, K. R.** (2016). Human rights and the grand challenges: rights-based approaches to social work priorities. "Hot Topics" presentation at the Annual Program Meetings of the Council on Social Work Education's 62nd Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA, November 4.

**Libal, K. R.** (2016). Securing girls' human rights in refugee camps and communities: An exemplar from

Jordan. Invited talk at the Rutgers University School of Public Health. New Brunswick, NJ, September 29.

**Libal, K.** (2015). Suat Derviş's reportage in the Early Turkish Republic: Pioneering an investigative journalist voice, Presentation at the Middle East Studies Association Annual Meetings, November 23.

**Libal, K.** (2015). "Women writers of the Late Ottoman Empire and Turkish Republic," Panel Organized for the Middle East Studies Association Annual Meetings, November 23.

**Libal, K.** (2015). Invited discussant on peer-reviewed panel, "Gender, Sex, and Prostitution in Turkey, 1920s-1950s," Middle East Studies Association Meetings, November 22.

Mapp, S. & **Libal, K.** (2015). "Social work as a human rights profession: Addressing Competency 3," Presentation at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Meetings, October 18.

**Libal, K.,** Schoeneman, A., & Brown, K. (2015). "Social work and law in pursuit of social justice and human rights," Presentation at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Meetings, October 17.

Gatenio Gabel, S., McPherson, J., & **Libal, K.** (2015). "Social Work as a Human Rights Profession: Addressing Competency 3," Faculty Development Institute at the Council on Social Work Education Annual Meetings, October 15.

**Libal, K.** & Healy, L. (2014). Teaching beyond the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Peer reviewed curriculum workshop. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Tampa Bay, FL, October 26.

Chiarelli-Helminiak, T., Eggers, M., & **Libal, K.** (2014). Advancing social work education through the integration of human rights. Peer-reviewed poster session. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Tampa Bay, FL, October 24.

**Libal, K.** (2014). Bringing economic and social rights "home": A view from an interdisciplinary human rights classroom. Invited presentation at the Duke Human Rights Center, Duke University, Durham, NC, September 22.

Brenick, A., **Libal, K.,** & Miller, J. (2014). Overcoming disaster: Therapeutic, community, and institutional supports for children and families. Sponsored by UConn's Human Development and Family Studies, Dodd Center, and the Human Rights Institute, September 10.

**Libal, K.,** Gatenio Gabel, S., Hintze, J., Ricci, L., McPherson, J., Mowry, D. (2013). Sharing the human rights message: Children, family and community. Peer-reviewed panel presentation. Advancing Human Rights: Dignity, Justice, Action, 5th Biannual US Human Rights Network National Conference. Atlanta, GA, December 7.

Marton, M., Berthold, S. M., & **Libal, K.** (2013). Working cross-professionally in social justice advocacy projects in refugee services. 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Midwest Clinical Conference, November 3.

Androff, D., Berthold, S. M., **Libal, K.,** & McPherson, J. (2013). Human rights-based practice: Beyond the micro/macro binary in social work. Peer-reviewed presentation, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Dallas, TX, November 3.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2013). Transprofessional practice to build a rights-based movement for food justice in the United States. Peer-reviewed presentation, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Dallas, TX, November 2.

**Libal, K.** (2013). Waging unveiling campaigns through popular culture and the media in the early Turkish republic. Presentation to the Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, October 12.

**Libal, K. & Harding, S.** (2013). Building a rights-based movement for food policy development in the United States. Peer-reviewed presentation. Conference sponsored by NADD/NYU Silver School of Social Work's Global Health and Well-Being: The Social Work Response. New York, NY, June 19.

**Libal, K.** (2013). Invited panelist, Is there a U.S. human rights movement? Law and Society Association Annual Meetings. Boston, MA, May 31.

**Libal, K. & Healy, L.** (2013). Bringing human rights home in social work education. Working Seminar on Human Rights and Social Work Education. Sponsored by the UConn Human Rights Institute, Center for International Social Work Studies, and Katherine A. Kendall Institute, Council on Social Work Education. West Hartford, CT, May 16.

**Libal, K.** (2012). Recognizing economic and social rights in the United States as a means to empower low income and minority women. Invited colloquium at CEGESTI (Fundación Centro de Gestión Tecnológica), San Jose, Costa Rica, August 10.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2011). Collaborative approaches to addressing Iraqi forced migration in the Middle East. Peer-reviewed presentation, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA, October 30.

Healy, L., Hokenstad, T., and **Libal, K.** (order alphabetical) (2011). Teaching human rights in social work education: Global concepts and local applications. Invited presentation sponsored by the Katherine A. Kendall Institute, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA, October 29.

**Libal, K.** (2011). From the face veil to cloche hat: The backward Ottoman v. modern Turkish woman in urban public discourse. Invited participant in the conference, "Coercion or Empowerment? Official Anti-Veiling Campaigns in the Middle East and Central Asia," St. Antony's College, Oxford, UK, September 23.

Brown, A., **Libal, K.** & McDowell, T. (2011). Human rights in the practice of family therapy: Violence against women as a case in point. Presentation for the "Unsettling Feminisms" Conference, co-sponsored by Affilia and the Jane Addams School of Social Work, Chicago, IL, May 22.

**Libal, K.** & Neubeck, K. (2011). Children's rights to an adequate standard of living: Applying international standards to the U.S. case. Contributed paper presentation to the Economic and Social Rights Group Workshop on "The State of Economic Rights," University of Connecticut, Storrs, April 9.

**Libal, K.** (2011). Child poverty and emerging children's rights discourse in early republican Turkey. Invited participant at the Ankara History of Childhood Workshop, sponsored by the British Academy and British Institute, Ankara, Turkey, March 25-26.

**Libal, K.** (2011). U.S.-based NGO advocacy for Iraqi refugees and the limits of humanitarianism. Invited presentation for the Yale Center for Middle East Studies Colloquium Series on Middle Eastern and Muslim Mobilities, Yale University, February 16.

**Libal, K.** (2010). Invisible, forgotten, or ignored? The limits of US-based NGO advocacy for Iraqi refugees. Full paper distributed and discussed in invited workshop titled, *Beyond Suffering: Human Rights and Humanitarianism and the Media*, UConn, Foundations of Humanitarianism Program and the Human Rights Institute, Storrs, CT, May 11.

**Libal, K.** (2010). Social work advocacy for U.S. ratification of the CRC--A call for action. Workshop, 2010 Global Social Work Student Conference, co-sponsored by the International Association of the Schools of Social Work and the International Federation of Social Workers, Fordham University, New York, March 28.

**Libal, K. & Harding, S.** (2010). The forgotten crisis: Iraqi refugees as collateral damage. Invited presentation for the Middle East/North Africa at the Crossroads Conference. Kutztown University, PA, March 22.

**Libal, K.** (2009). Toward an engaged ethnography of Iraq—A call for multiple voices. Participant in the AAA Committee for Human Rights invited session, Testimony, Truth, Politics and Atrocity: Theoretical and Practical Challenges of Documentation of Human Rights Violations in Iraq. Organized by D. Rothenberg, American Anthropological Association Meetings, Philadelphia, PA, December 4.

**Libal, K.** (2009). Motherhood and Nationalism in Early Republican Turkey. Presentation to the Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference. Boston, November 22.

**Libal, K.** (2009) America's shame: The politics of recognizing children's economic human rights in the United States. Presentation at the Human Rights in the USA conference, Law School, University of Connecticut, Hartford, CT, October 23.

Harding S. & **Libal, K.** (2009). Linking local and international NGOs in humanitarian outreach to Iraqi refugees in Jordan and Syria. Presentation to 12<sup>th</sup> Conference of the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration, Nicosia, Cyprus, July 1.

**Libal, K.** (2009). "Forgotten refugees": NGO and media representations of the Iraqi refugee crisis. Presentation to the Gender of Humanitarian Narrative Workshop, co-sponsored by the Humanities Institute and Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, May 15.

**Libal, K.** (2009). Children's economic rights in the United States. Presentation to the Economic Rights Group 2009 Workshop, sponsored by the Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, April 18.

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2009). Engaging key actors on the Iraqi refugee crisis: Bridging research and advocacy. Presentation to Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Conference, Santa Fe, NM, March 18.

**Libal, K.** (2009). Iraqi refugees and social integration: A place for social work. Invited speaker in panel on Social Integration and Displaced Persons: The Social Work Role. Side Events at the 47th Session of the UN Commission for Social Development, New York, NY, February 5.

**Libal, K.** (2008). Confronting the Iraq humanitarian crisis: An NGO-scholar dialogue. Chair/introduction for panel presentation to the Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC, November 23.

**Libal, K.** & Harding, S. (2008). Humanitarian alliances: Local and international NGO partnerships and the Iraqi refugee crisis. Presentation to the Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference (with Scott Harding), November 23.

**Libal, K.** (2008). Amplifying the advocacy of human rights and humanitarian NGOs on behalf of displaced Iraqis. Presentation to the American Anthropological Association in an invited session on "Advocacy on the Frontlines: Reflections from Activist Scholars Working for Human Rights and Social Change," sponsored by the AAA Committee for Human Rights, San Francisco, CA, November 18.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2008). The politics of resettlement of Iraqi refugees to the United States. Invited presentation to the 13th International Metropolis UN Conference, Bonn, Germany, October 28.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2008). Responding to the Iraqi refugee crisis: The strengths and limits of NGO advocacy and humanitarian assistance, contributed paper presented at the annual meetings of the Peace and Justice Studies Association, Portland, OR, September 13.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2008). The forgotten crisis: Iraqi refugees as collateral damage. Invited presentation as part of the "The Global Becomes Local" lecture series at Lewis and Clark College, Portland, OR, September 11.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2008). The politics of advocacy and policy-making for Iraqi refugees, contributed paper presented at the biennial meetings of the International Association for the Study of Forced Migration, Cairo, Egypt, January 10.

**Libal, K.** & S. Harding. (2007). The Iraq War and the politics of Iraqi refugees, contributed paper presented at the annual meetings of the Middle East Studies Association, Montreal, November 18.

**Libal, K.** (2007). Popular education and women as mother-citizens in the early Turkish republic, invited participant in the symposium on “Eurasian Women and Self-Reliance: Religion and Education in the Contemporary World,” California State University, Long Beach, March 22.

**Libal, K.** (2006). Invited participant for “thematic conversation” round-table on “Modern Turkish Social History: New Approaches and Sources,” Middle East Studies Association meetings, Washington DC, November 20.

**Libal, K.** (2006). The Turkish Women’s Union and the politics of Turkish women’s emancipation in the inter-war era, contributed paper at the Middle East Studies Association meetings, Boston, MA, November 19.

**Libal, K.** (2005). Invited participant for “thematic conversation” round-table on “Modern Turkish Social History: New Approaches and Sources,” Middle East Studies Association meetings, Washington DC, November, 19-22.

**Libal, K.** (2005). Toward an ethnography of legal pluralism in Turkey, contributed paper at the research seminar on “Sharia, Reformist Thought, and Human Rights,” Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, Oslo University, Oslo, Norway, September 20-22.

**Libal, K.** (2005). International dimensions of the women’s rights movement in early republican Turkey, contributed paper at “Turkey at the Crossroads: Women, Women’s Studies and the State,” international conference co-sponsored by Towson University’s Institute for Teaching and Research on Women and Middle East Technical University, Bodrum, Turkey, May 27-June 3.

**Libal, K.** (2005). Motherhood and nationalism in early republican Turkey (1920s-1930s), contributed paper at the New England Historical Association Meetings, Weston, MA, April 16.

**Libal, K.** (2005). Pronatalism, motherhood, and nation-building in early republican Turkey, invited paper and participant in the Roundtable on Women, Family, and Modernization Projects in the Middle East in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, February 4-5.

#### **University Presentations/Workshops/Trainings (Selected)**

**Libal, K.** (2023). Economic rights as human rights: Securing the right to food in the United States. Guest workshop for YSEALI State Department Youth Leadership, Storrs, CT, April 11.

**Libal, K.** (2022). Economic rights as human rights: Securing the right to food in the United States. Guest workshop for YSEALI State Department Youth Leadership, Storrs, CT, October 4.

**Libal, K.** (2020). Food insecurity and hunger in the United States through a human rights lens. Guest lecture for introduction to environmental studies class at UConn Storrs, October 5, 2020.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Human rights in social work practice. Guest lecture for MSW class at St. Joseph’s University, Hartford, CT, November 16.

**Libal, K.** (2019). From victim to collateral damage: Thinking about language & children’s human rights in the U.S. migration “crisis.” Guest lecture in philosophy of human rights class, UConn Storrs, October 12.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Economic rights as human rights: Securing the right to food in the United States. Guest workshop for YSEALI State Department Youth Leadership, Storrs, CT, September 16.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Economic rights as human rights: Securing the right to food in the United States. Guest workshop for YSEALI State Department Youth Leadership, Storrs, CT, April 9.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Another view on US exceptionalism and mobilization for (civil) human rights. Guest workshop for the UConn Human Rights Action and Learning Community, Storrs, CT, March 5.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Children's human rights in US social work. Presentation to MSW class on human rights at the Jane Addams School of Social Work, University of Illinois, Chicago, February 27 (virtual).

**Libal, K.** (2018). Advancing human rights and social justice in US social work. Guest lecture for MSW-level policy class at the University of St. Joseph, December 8.

**Libal, K.** (2018). Economic rights as human rights: Securing the right to food in the United States. Guest workshop for YSEALI State Department Youth Leadership, Storrs, CT, July 11.

**Libal, K.** (2018). Social work and supporting refugee resettlement in uncertain times. Guest seminar for MSW social work courses at Westchester University School of Social Work, Philadelphia, PA, May 25.

**Libal, K.** (2017). Food insecurity in the US through a human rights lens. Guest lecture for MSW-level policy analysis class, UConn School of Social Work, April 5.

**Libal, K.** (2017). Economic rights as human rights: Securing the right to food in the United States. Guest workshop for YSEALY State Department Youth Leadership, Storrs, CT, March 27.

**Libal, K.** (2016). Anthropologies of displacement: Methodological and theoretical approaches. Guest lecture in graduate Latin American studies course, Storrs, CT, November 10.

**Libal, K.** (2014). An introduction to poverty: UConn Alternative Break. Presentation to undergraduate students participating in the Office of Community Outreach's Alternative Break Program. Storrs, CT, November 16.

**Libal, K. & Harding, S.** (2014). An introduction to poverty: UConn Alternative Break. Presentation to undergraduate students participating the Office of Community Outreach's Alternative Break Program. Storrs, CT, February 9.

**Libal, K.** (2013). Food insecurity and human rights. Presentation to the Progressive Action Committee, UConn School of Social Work, November 20.

**Libal, K.** (2013). A human rights-based approach to policy and an application to the right to food in the United States. Lecture for UConn honors human rights seminar, November 14.

Presentations as guest presenter or lecturer made prior to promotion to associate professor not included here; available upon request.

### **Community Presentations (selected)**

**Libal, K.** (2023). Invited colloquium panelist, The road to CT: Forced migration, integration and the power of the community, Building One Community, Stamford, CT, September 8.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Rethinking responses to poverty through a human rights lens. Invited presentation at the Hispanic Health Council Retreat, Hartford, CT, October 4.

**Libal, K.** (2019). Human rights work in the United States during the Trump era. Estacio Seminar on Human Rights and Development for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, Universidade Estacio de Sá, Brazil (Virtual), May 18.

**Libal, K.** (2016). Syrian refugees in Turkey: Regional and domestic politics. Presentation for staff and lawyers employed by the Jordanian NGO Arab Renaissance for Democracy and Development, Amman, Jordan, June 2.

**Libal, K.** (2014). Food justice 101. Presentation for community members in Hartford Food System program on health and nutrition. Hartford, CT, December 10.



**Libal, K.** (2014). Food justice and human rights. Presentation for community members in Hartford Food System program on health and nutrition. Hartford, CT, February 19.

**Libal, K. & Harding, S.** (2011). Community-based approaches to working with urban refugees: The case of Iraqis in Jordan. Presentation and dialogue sponsored by Africa Unite/Cape Town's Democracy Center of IDASA, Cape Town, South Africa, March 10.

**Libal, K.** (2011). Testimony delivered to the State of Connecticut Human Services Committee in support of H.B. 6218 An Act Establishing a Task Force on Safety Net Services, February 10.

Harding, S. & **Libal, K.** (2009). The humanitarian costs of the Iraq War. Presentation to the "Connecticut Students against the War 2009 Conference," Middletown, CT, April 25.

**Libal, K. & Harding, S.** (2009). Iraqi refugees: A view from NGOs in the field. Invited presentation to state and voluntary agency refugee resettlement workers, Portland, OR, September 12.

### **FIELDWORK, ARCHIVAL RESEARCH, AND OVERSEAS STUDY**

Qualitative research project on refugee resettlement and voluntarism in the United States and Greece (by doctoral student Grace Felten); focuses on the practices of community and private sponsorship in a context of the politicization of resettlement (with faculty members Scott Harding and Meghan Berthold and doctoral students), 2017-present

Exploratory research in Amman, Jordan related to social and legal service provision for Syrian refugees. May 28-June 5, 2016.

Interviews with food justice advocates in the Northeast U.S. states; includes mentoring graduate team of researchers (two MSW and one doctoral level student in research methods and analysis), 2014-2022

Interviews with U.S. social work educators on integrating human rights into the social work curriculum (collaborative research with Michele Eggers and Christina Chiarelli-Helminiak), 2012-13

Interviews/ethnographic research on international human rights & humanitarian NGOs doing advocacy for Iraqi refugees (U.S., Jordan, Syria, summer research in Middle East conducted in 2007, 2008, & 2009), 2006-2011

Ankara & Istanbul, Turkey, archival & preliminary ethnographic research, June-July 2007

Ankara & Istanbul, Turkey, archival & ethnographic research, June-July 2005

Smith College, Sophia Smith Collection, archival research, Autumn 2005

Ankara and Istanbul, Turkey, archival research, January 1998

Research at US libraries, including University of Chicago, Harvard University, UCLA, and University of Texas at Austin, 1996-1999

Ankara University, Ankara, Republic of Turkey, independent study with mentors at the university, preliminary research, January-March, 1995

Xinjiang University, Urumqi, Xinjiang, People's Republic of China; preliminary research and studied Kazakh and Chinese, October-December 1994

TÖMER, Ankara University, Ankara, Republic of Turkey; preliminary research and studied Turkish, 1994-95

## **DISTINCTIONS, AWARDS AND HONORS**

Council on Social Work Education Women's Council Mentor Recognition Fund recipient, October 2016.  
Institute of International Education/Scholar Rescue Fund Award for Outstanding Service, November 2013  
2009 *Violence Against Women* Best Article Winner; shared with authors of five other articles in a special issue, "Focusing on Evan Stark's Coercive Control," guest edited by Lisa Brush.  
University of Connecticut Women's Studies Feminist Leadership Award, recognized for academic & personal leadership in promoting global women's human rights, 2007  
"Finalist," Graduate Student Teaching Excellence Award, Univ. of Washington, 1998  
"Honors," First Year Comprehensive Examination, Anthropology, Univ. of Washington, 1991  
"Abay Prize" for outstanding study in Introductory Kazakh, Univ. of Washington, 1991  
"Rena Ratte Award," for highest scholastic achievement of graduating senior, Lewis & Clark College, 1990

## **TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP EXPERIENCE**

### ***Teaching***

#### ***Courses at the University of Connecticut***

Qualitative Research Methods (SSW PhD)  
Social Policy Analysis (MSW and SSW PhD)  
Human Rights and Social Work (MSW)  
Human Behavior and the Social Environment (MSW)  
Human Oppression (MSW)  
Women, Children and Families: Policies and Programs (MSW)  
Program Evaluation and Applied Qualitative Research (MSW)

#### ***Undergraduate Courses at the University of Connecticut***

Writing for the Profession (SSW) (hybrid)  
Introduction to Human Rights (HRI)  
Human Rights through Film (HRI) (in person and asynchronous online)  
Digital Media, Journalism and Human Rights (HRI)  
Gender in Global Perspective (WGSS)  
Women and Globalization (WGSS)  
Anthropology of Gender (ANTH)  
Low Income Families; Diversity Issues in Family Studies (HDFS)  
Peoples and Cultures of the Middle East (ANTH)

#### ***Courses Taught at Other Universities***

Global Societies and Cultures (Kansas, grad)  
Human Rights in Global Perspective (Kansas, grad)  
Politics and Cultures of Asia (Kansas, grad)  
Gender and Development (Kansas, grad)  
Islam in the Middle East and Central Asia (Kansas, undergrad)  
Women's Human Rights (Kansas, undergrad)  
Peoples of China (Washington, undergrad)  
Anthropology of Childhood and Youth (Washington, undergrad)

**Doctoral and MA Advising roles available upon request.**

**UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL and HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTE SERVICE**

Available upon request.

**PUBLIC AND NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Executive Board Member (2020-present) and Treasurer (2022-present), Consortium of Higher Education Centers for Holocaust, Genocide, and Human Rights Studies

Steering Committee Member, Scholars at Risk, USA Chapter, 2018-present

Steering Committee Member, Connecticut-Baden Württemberg Human Rights Research Consortium, 2019-present

Co-chair of the Human Rights Education and Solidarity Working Group of the Connecticut-Baden Württemberg Human Rights Research Consortium, 2019-present

- Co-organizer of the invited workshop, “The Heidelberg Workshop on New Approaches to Human Rights Dialogue and Public Engagement,” Mark Twain Center for Transatlantic Relations, Heidelberg, Germany, April 26-29, 2023

*Journal of Human Rights and Social Work*, Editorial Board Member, 2016-present

*Affilia: Feminist Inquiry in Social Work*, Consulting Editor, 2015-16; 2020-present

Advisory Board Member, Lynne Rienner Book Series on Power and Human Rights, 2016-present

Human Rights Committee, Council on Social Work Education Global Commission, Member, 2013-2021

Human Rights Committee, Co-Chair, Council on Social Work Education Global Commission, 2015-2017

Connecticut Coalition on the Rights of Child Migrants, Chair and Member, 2016-2019

National Fellowship Selection Committee, American Research Institute to Turkey, 2012-13; 2016-17

Children’s Rights Committee of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination Working Group, US Human Rights Network, 2013-14; participated in drafting a civil society report on US progress under ICERD.

Member of the American Anthropological Association, Committee for Human Rights ad hoc group on advocacy for Iraqi refugees (August, 2008-2010)

Organized and chaired a peer-reviewed panel at the Middle East Studies Association Annual Meetings titled, “Challenges and Prospects for Economic and Social Stability in Post-Invasion Iraq,” Boston, MA, November 22, 2009.

Co-organized with Susan Mapp an informal gathering of social work educators teaching human rights material in their courses to discuss the new EPAS guidelines regarding integrating human rights into the social work curriculum, Council on Social Work Education, 2009.

Chair, Graduate Student Prize selection committee, Turkish Studies Association, 2006-07.

Co-Organizer and Co-Chair for Presidential Invited Session at the 2006 American Anthropological Association meetings; double panel titled, “Debating Anthropological Practice and National Security: Past, Present, and Across Borders,” San Jose, CA, November 17, 2006.

Organizer, panel titled: “Middle Eastern Feminisms, Nationalisms, and Transnationalisms (1900-1950),” Middle East Studies Association meetings, Boston, November 2006.

Co-Organizer for panel entitled, “Gender, Social Change, and the State in Turkey (1920s-1930s),” Middle East Studies Association Meetings, November 2004.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Participant in credit-bearing “Institute on Documentary Studies,” Center for Documentary Studies, Duke University, Durham, NC, June 23-29, 2013.

Participant in professional exchange on “Empowering Women through Social Entrepreneurship,” San Jose, Costa Rica, August 5-14, 2012.

Participant in credit-bearing “Institute on Documentary Filmmaking,” Center for Documentary Studies, Duke University, Durham, NC, June 9-16, 2012.

Participant in workshop sponsored by the International Justice Resource Center on “International Human Rights: Opportunities for Lawyers and Advocates,” May 18, 2012.

Workshop participant, “Video Advocacy for Human Rights,” led by Kelly Matheson of WITNESS, Human Rights Institute, University of Connecticut, Storrs, February 28, 2012.

Participant in the research conference and course titled, “Islamic Law, Reformist Thought, and Human Rights,” hosted by the Norwegian Human Rights Institute, Oslo University, Oslo Norway, September 20-22, 2005.

Participant in a faculty workshop on Women’s Rights in Turkey, sponsored by Towson University and Istanbul University, Istanbul and Bodrum, Turkey, May 27-June 3, 2005.

## **LANGUAGES**

Turkish: Excellent Speaking Proficiency; Very Good Reading and Writing

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## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Council on Social Work Education

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