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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy	University of Connecticut Social Work	in progress
Master of Social Work	University of Connecticut Concentration: Individuals, Groups and Families	2020
Bachelor of Science	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Major: Science, Technology and Society Studies Major: Business Management	2015

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2025-Present **Research Technician, University of Connecticut**
Project Title: AI Use in Social Work Practice
Laura Curran, PhD (PI)

- Lead survey creation
- Recruit and distribute surveys to participants
- Review and prepare manuscript for publication

2025-Present **Graduate Assistant, University of Connecticut**
Project Title: Nancy A. Humphreys Institute for Political Social Work
Shannon R. Lane, PhD (PI)

- Complete Institutional Review Board (IRB) applications
- Conduct secondary data analysis
- Review and prepare manuscripts and abstracts for publication

2024-2025 **Graduate Assistant, University of Connecticut**
Project Title: Measuring Food Security in Minoritized Groups
Alexandria Forte, PhD (PI)

- Assist with conducting a scoping review of food insecurity literature
- Review and prepare manuscripts and abstracts for publication

2023-2026 **Research Assistant, University of Connecticut**
Project Title: Breakthrough Parenting Curriculum
Matthew Price, PhD (PI), Jon Phillips, PhD (PI), Cristina Wilson, PhD (PI)

- Create and maintain a website to disseminate information about the research project
- Consent participants and create a database to monitor consenting procedure

2023-2024 **Research Support Staff, University of Connecticut**
Project Title: Survey of Helping Professionals
Kelsi Carolan, PhD (PI), Jon Phillips, PhD (PI), Gio Iacono, PhD (PI)

- Prepare materials that were submitted for IRB approval
- Assist in preparing a quantitative survey for distribution

2022 **Pilot Group Facilitator, University of Connecticut**
Project Title: Tuned In! A Mindfulness-Based Affirmative Program for LGBTQIA Youth
Gio Iacono, PhD (PI)

- Facilitated Mindfulness-Based pilot groups
- Provided support to participants and ensure retention

PUBLICATIONS

In Progress

Harrington, K. Y., Su, Z., Phillips, J. D., Carolan, K. & Iacono, G. Social Worker Preparedness to Work with Far-Right Clients. *Social Work*.

Iacono, G., Roman-Hampton, V., Paceley, M.S, Phillips, J., Carolan, K., Su, Z., **Harrington, K. Y.**, & Holle, L. (in preparation). Preparing social workers for affirmative practice with diverse LGBTQIA+ populations: Recommendations for MSW Programs. *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Under Review

Paceley, M. S., Roman-Hampton, V., **Harrington, K. Y.**, Meehan, Q., Evans, S., Bishop, M., Gzesh, A., Kynn, J., Fish, J. N., Tucker, T., Perry, K., & Iacono. G. Loving Fiercely: A Grounded Theory Model of Parental Processes to Mitigate Harm to Transgender Youth Caused by the Anti-Trans Sociopolitical Climate. *Abstract accepted for special issue on Innovations in research on LGBTQ+ youth mental health: A special issue in honor of Dr. Jeremy T. Goldbach in Psychology of Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity*.

Phillips, J. D., Su, Z, **Harrington, K. Y.**, Goldsborough, E.J., Carolan, K., & Iacono, G. Are MSW programs preparing social workers for interprofessional collaboration? Findings from a national survey. *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Harrington, K. Y., Paceley, M. S., Evans, S., Meehan, Q., Prince, D., Iacono, G., & McGeough, B. L. I believe there will be lives better than this one: A found poem from advocates working for trans equity in a hostile sociopolitical climate. *Qualitative Social Work*.

In Press

Iacono, G., **Harrington, K. Y.**, Stevens, L. A., Roman-Hampton, V., Phillips, J. D., Paceley, M. S., Carolan, K. A National Survey of Social Workers' Preparedness to Practice with LGBTQIA+ Populations. *Social Work*.

Iacono, G., Bietsch, B., **Harrington, K. Y.**, Lawrence, S.E., Learman, J., Manuel, J.I., Meehan, Q., Muro, P., Roman-Hampton, V., Singh, S., Werkmeister Rozas, L., Anonymous Author, Anonymous Author. (2025) Critical Hope and Resistance through Collective Poetic Inquiry: A Response to Federal Attacks on Queer and Trans Communities by Scholar-Advocates. *QED: A Journal in GLBTQ Worldmaking, 12*(1), 171-186. https://muse.jhu.edu/article/985302

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Schwartz, R., **Harrington, K. Y.**, Curran, L., & Marrero-Johnson, M. (2027, January 20-24). *AI in Social Work Practice: Uses, Challenges, and Considerations*. [Poster presentation]. 31st Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work & Research, San Francisco, CA, United States.

Iacono, G., Muro, P., Roman-Hampton, V., Holle, L., **Harrington, K. Y.**, Su, Z., Paceley, M. S., Phillips, J. D., & Carolan, K. (2027, January 20-24). *Are We Prepared to Support LGBTQIA+ Populations? A National Survey of Social Workers' Preparedness to Practice with LGBTQIA+ Populations*. [Poster presentation]. 31st Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work & Research, San Francisco, CA, United States.

Harrington, K. Y., Su, Z., Phillips, J. D., Carolan, K., & Iacono, G. (2026, January 14-18). *Social worker preparedness to work with far-right clients.* 30th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work & Research, Washington DC, United States.

Carolan, K., Phillips, J.D., Charles, D., Moynihan, L., Su, Z., **Harrington, K. Y.,** & Iacono, G. (2026, January 14-18). *Examining social workers' perceived preparedness to work with clients with chronic illnesses and/or disabilities.* 30th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work & Research, Washington DC, United States.

Harrington, K. Y., Su, Z., (2025, October 22-24) *United States Social Worker Preparedness to Work with Far-Right Clients*. Aleksanteri Conference 2025: Extremisms, Ambiguities, Ideologies, Agency, Helsinki, Finland.

Phillips, J. D., Su, Z., **Harrington, K. Y.,** Goldsborough, E. J., Carolan, K., & Iacono, G. (2025, October 23-26). *Do MSW programs prepare students for interprofessional collaboration? Results from a national survey.* [Poster presentation]. Council on Social Work Education 71st Annual Program Meeting, Denver, CO, United States.

Carolan, K., Phillips, J., Charles, D., **Harrington, K. Y.,** Iacono, G., & Su, Z. (2025, October 23-26). *Examining practicing social workers' perception of MSW program preparation to work with clients with disabilities or chronic illnesses.* Council on Social Work Education 71st Annual Program Meeting, Denver, CO, United States.

Phillips, J. D., Strolin-Goltzman, J., Bielawski-Branch, A., Bradshaw, C., **Harrington, K. Y.**, Wilson, C., Price, M. (2025, January 15-19) *Preventing Child Maltreatment: Results from a Pilot Study of a Trauma-Informed Parenting Intervention*. [Poster presentation]. 29th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work & Research, Seattle, WA, United States.

FUNDING AND AWARDS

2026	James Madison University, Centers for Civic Life Fellowship Program (applied)
	University of Connecticut, Sterling Professional Development Fellowship ($1,000)
2025	University of Connecticut, Sterling Pre-Dissertation Travel Scholarship ($1,000)
2024	University of Connecticut, Sterling Pre-Dissertation Travel Scholarship ($1,000)
2024-2025	Dr. Nancy A. Humphreys Memorial Fellowship in Policy Practice & Political Social Work ($4,000)
2019-2020	University of Connecticut, Integrated Care Across the Lifespan Grant ($10,000)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023-2024 **Per Diem Behavioral Health Clinician II, Rushford**

- Complete treatment plans and assessments for up to 5 clients per shift
- Run clinical and psychoeducational groups for up to 20 clients

2021-2024 **Oncology Social Worker, Yale New Haven Health**

- Provide a variety of clinical and case management services

- Advocate for patients in an interdisciplinary team
- Train staff on how to complete documentation in Epic
- Provide support to clients in crisis

2020-2021 **Multidimensional Family Therapy Clinician, Wheeler Clinic**

- Administered evidence based individual and family therapy
- Co-constructed targeted treatment plans with clients
- Connected clients and parents with community resources and services
- Provided psychoeducation on childhood development

2019-2020 **Clinical Social Work Intern, Community Health Resources**

- Provided evidence based therapeutic interventions for 15 clients
- Facilitated multiple types of groups such as psychoeducational and substance use support groups
- Designed relapse prevention curriculum for substance use groups

2018-2019 **School Social Work Intern, Bloomfield Public Schools**

- Developed curriculum around socioemotional needs
- Instructed classes on relationships, coping skills, and consent

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University, Social Work Practice and Advocacy in a Polarized Nation, 2026

Yale New Haven Health, Trans-Affirmative Care Guidelines, 2022

University of Connecticut, Introduction to Gender Identity, 2020

MEMBERSHIP

2026-Present	Doctoral Student Organization
2024-Present	Research Development and Policy Committee Meeting
2022-2024	Social Work Oncology Group Board
2021-2024	Yale New Haven Health EPIC Training Committee
2018-2020	Urban Service Track/AHEC Scholars Program