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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Social Work and Political Science (2015)

University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI

The campaign for environmental justice in a Southwest Detroit border community

Dissertation Committee Members: Lorraine M. Gutiérrez (Social Work Co-Chair), Gregory B. Markus (Political Science Co-Chair), Donald R. Kinder (Political Science) and Michael Spencer (Social Work)

Master of Social Work (2003)

University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI

Areas of Specialization: Community Organization, Social Change, and Management of Human Systems
Community-Based Initiative (CBI) in Detroit

Bachelor of Social Work (2002)

Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH

Areas of Specialization: Peace Studies, International Studies, Women and Minority Studies, Spanish language

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

School of Social Work, Loyola University Chicago

Associate Professor

2021 – Current

Assistant Professor

2015 – 2021

University of Jyväskylä, Finland (JYU)

Visiting Fellow

Fall 2021

Xavier University, Department of Social Work

Adjunct Teacher

2003, 2007-2008

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Community Organizing, Critical Philanthropy, Environmental Justice, Macro Social Work, Social Justice Education, Social Welfare Policy, Theories of Social Change

PUBLICATIONS

* denotes student co-author

[BePress Page](#) includes Open Access to Most Publications

[Google Scholar Profile](#)

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

1. Melstrom, R., *Mohammadi, R., Schusler, T., & **Krings, A.** (In press.) Who benefits from brownfield cleanup and gentrification? Evidence from Chicago. *Urban Affairs Review*.
2. **Krings, A.** & *Copic, C. (2020). [Environmental justice organizing in a gentrifying community: Navigating dilemmas of representation, recruitment, and issue selection](#). *Families in Society: The Journal of Contemporary Social Services*, 102(2), 154-166.
3. Markus G. B. & **Krings, A.** (2020). [Planning, participation, and power in a 'shrinking city': The Detroit Works Project](#). *Journal of Urban Affairs*, 42(8), 1141-1163.]
4. **Krings, A.** & Schusler, T. (2020). [Equity in sustainable development: Integrating social work and environmental justice to prevent environmental gentrification](#). *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 29(4), 321-334.
5. **Krings, A.**, *Trubey-Hockman, C., Dentato, M. & Grossman, S. (2019). [Recalibrating micro and macro social work: Student perceptions of social action](#). *Social Work Education: The International Journal*, 39(2), 160-174.
6. Schusler, T., **Krings, A.** & *Hernández, M. (2019). [Integrating youth participation and ecosocial work: new possibilities to advance environmental and social justice](#). *Journal of Community Practice*, 27(3-4), 460-475.
Winner of the Marie O. Weil Article of the Year Award in the *Journal of Community Practice*.
7. Bell, F., Dennis, M. K., & **Krings, A.** (2019). [Collective survival strategies and anti-colonial practice in ecosocial work](#). *Journal of Community Practice*, 27(3-4), 279-295.
8. Teixeira, S., Mathias, J. & **Krings, A.** (2019). [The future of environmental social work: Looking to community initiatives for models of prevention](#). *Journal of Community Practice*, 27(3-4), 414-429.
9. Thurber, A., **Krings, A.**, Martinez, L. S., & Ohmer, M. (2019). [Resisting gentrification: The theoretical and practice contributions of social work](#). *Journal of Social Work*.
10. **Krings, A.**, Fusaro, V., Nicoll, K. L., & Lee, N. Y. (2019). [Social Work, Politics, and Social Policy Education: Applying a Multidimensional Framework of Power](#). *Journal of Social Work Education*, 55(2), 224-237.
11. **Krings, A.**, Victor, B., Mathias, J., & Perron, B. (2018). [Environmental social work in the disciplinary literature, 1991 – 2015](#). *International Social Work*, 63(3), 275 - 290.
Winner of the Article of the Year Prize in *International Social Work*.

12. Chin, M., Hawkins, J., **Krings, A.**, *Pegeuro-Spencer, C., & Gutiérrez, L. (2018). [Investigating diversity in social work doctoral education in the United States](#). *Journal of Social Work Education*, 54(4), 762-775.
13. **Krings, A.**, Kornberg, D., & Lane, E. (2018). [Organizing under austerity: How residents' concerns became the Flint water crisis](#). *Critical Sociology*, 45(4-5), 583-597.
14. **Krings, A.**, *Thomas, H., Lee, S. J., *Ali, A., & *Miller, L. (2018). [Mothers' perceptions of educational quality in a context of urban austerity](#). *Children and Youth Services Review*. 88, 298-307.
15. Lee, S. J., **Krings, A.**, *Rose, S., *Dover, K., *Ayoub, J., & *Salman, F. (2016). [Racial inequality and the implementation of emergency management laws in economically distressed urban areas](#). *Children and Youth Services Review*, 70, 1-7.
16. **Krings, A.**, Austic, E., Gutiérrez, L. M., & *Dirksen, K. (2015). [The comparative impacts of social justice educational methods on political participation, civic engagement, and multicultural activism](#). *Equity & Excellence in Education*. 48(3), 403-417.
17. Teixeira, S. & **Krings, A.** (2015). [Sustainable social work: An environmental justice framework for social work education](#). *Social Work Education: The International Journal*, 34(5), 513-527.

Journal Guest Editor

1. Matthies, A.-L., **Krings, A.**, & Stamm, I. (October 2020). [Special Issue: Research-based knowledge about Social Work and Sustainability](#). *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 29(4), 293-392.

Book Chapters

1. Forbes, R., Minnick, D., **Krings, A.**, Mitchell, F., Teixeira, S. & Billiot, S. (In press). Environmental racism and the grand challenge to create social responses to a changing environment. Teasley, M and Spencer, M. (Eds.) *Racism: Social Work's 13th Grand Challenge*.
2. Kemp, S. P., Palinkas, L. A., Mason, L. R., Billiot, S., Mitchell, F. M., & **Krings, A.** (In press). Grand Challenge to Create Social Responses to a Changing Environment. In Barth, R.P., Shanks, T.R., Messing, J. & Williams, J.H. (Eds.). *Grand challenges for social work and society. (2nd Edition)*. London, Oxford.
3. Mason, L. R., Kemp, S. P., Palinkas, L., & **Krings, A.** (In press). Social responses to a changing environment. In Bailey, D. & Mizrahi, T. (Eds.) *Encyclopedia of Macro Social Work*.
4. Thurber, A. & **Krings, A.** (In press). Gentrification. In Bailey, D. & Mizrahi, T. (In press). *Encyclopedia of Macro Social Work*.
5. Brady, S., **Krings, A.**, & Sawyer, J. (2019). Hydraulic fracturing and Indigenous rights in the Heartland of the USA: Lessons for environmental social workers. In M. Rinkel and M. Powers (Eds.), [Social work promoting community and environmental sustainability: A workbook for social work](#)

[*practitioners and educators* \(Vol. 3\)](#). Rheinfelden, Switzerland: International Federation of Social Work (IFSW). pp.155-171.

6. **Krings, A.** & *Thomas, H. (2018). [Integrating green social work and the U.S. environmental justice movement: An introduction to community benefits agreements](#). In Dominelli, L. (Ed.) *The Routledge Handbook of Green Social Work*. (pp. 397-406). Routledge.
7. **Krings, A.**, Spencer, M. S., & *Jimenez, K. (2013). [Organizing for environmental justice: From bridges to taro patches](#). In S. Dutta and C. Ramanathan (Eds.), *Governance, Development, and Social Work*. (pp. 186-200). London: Routledge.

Publications – Other

1. Matthies, A.-L., **Krings, A.**, & Stamm, I. (2020). [Editorial. Special Issue on Research-based knowledge about social work and sustainability](#). *International Journal of Social Welfare*, 29(4), 297-299.
2. **Krings, A.** (2013). Rhomberg, C. (2012). [Book review of “The broken table: The Detroit newspaper strike and the state of American labor”](#). *Journal of Community Practice*. 21(1-2), 162-164.

Policy Briefs and Community Reports

1. *Copic, C., Schusler, T., and **Krings, A.** (2020). [Environmental Gentrification in Chicago: Perceptions, Dilemmas and Paths Forward](#). 1-44.
2. **Krings, A.**, Kornberg, D., & Lee, S. (2019). [Lessons and policy implications from the Flint water crisis](#). (CSD Policy Brief No. 19-41). St. Louis, MO: Washington University, Center for Social Development.
3. Schusler, T., & **Krings, A.** (2018). [Addressing environmental gentrification: Improving environmental health for children and youth without displacement](#). Prepared for the Center for the Human Rights of Children (CHRC) at Loyola University Chicago.
4. *Williams, A., *Abboud, D., *Ward, M., *Fitzpatrick, S., Schusler, T., & **Krings, A.** (2017). Planning for our industrial corridor: What you need to know. Prepared for the Little Village Environmental Justice Organization (LVEJO).
5. Schusler, T., **Krings, A.**, *Asis, D., & *Fitzpatrick, S. (2017). *Brownfield Redevelopment, Urban Greening, and Gentrification: A Preliminary Review of Literature*. Prepared for the Little Village Environmental Justice Organization (LVEJO).
6. **Krings, A.** (2014). *Cities and Community Land Trust Partnerships: A Summary of Municipal Report for Community Land Trusts*. Prepared for the Detroit Community Land Trust Coalition.

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2020** Article of the Year in *International Social Work*. “Environmental social work in the disciplinary literature, 1991 – 2015”
- 2019** Marie O. Weil Award for Article of the Year in *Journal of Community Practice*. “Integrating youth participation and ecosocial work: new possibilities to advance environmental and social justice”
- St. Ignatius Loyola Teaching Award. Loyola University Chicago. Nomination.
- Peter Hans Kolvenbach Award for Engaged Teaching, Loyola University Chicago. Nomination.
- 2018** St. Ignatius Loyola Teaching Award. Loyola University Chicago. Nomination.
- School of Social Work Student Organization (SSWSO) Faculty Member of the Year Award. Loyola University Chicago
- 2015** Harold T. and Vivian B. Shapiro Prize, School of Social Work, University of Michigan
- 2014** Association for Community Organization and Social Administration (ACOSA) Emerging Scholar Annual Award
- 2013** Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) Outstanding Research Mentor Award
- 2011** Rosemary Sarri Scholarship in Management, Social Policy or Community Organization, The University of Michigan School of Social Work
- 2010** Margaret Dow Towsley Scholar Award, The Center for the Education of Women, The University of Michigan
- 2002** Charlotte Towle Social Work Student of the Year Award, Xavier University
- Gudorf Women and Minority Studies Award, Xavier University
- National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Region VI Student of the Year
- President, Xavier University Alpha Sigma Nu Chapter

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021** **Krings, A.** Visiting Fellowship Program at the University of Jyväskylä, Finland with Aila-Leena Matthies, Kati Närhi, and Ingo Stamm.
- 2019** Schusler, T., **Krings, A.**, & Melstrom, M. 2019 - 2020. Advancing Health Equity through Improved Environmental Quality without Displacing Residents in Communities Disproportionately Affected by Environmental Pollution. The Health Equity Collaborative, Loyola University Chicago. \$38,497.

2018

Krings, A. 2018. Developing activist mothers: Expanding the influence of Latina mothers. Submitted to the Ann Ida Gannon, BVM, Center for Women and Leadership Faculty Fellowship Program. \$25,000.

Krings, A. 2018. Parent Perceptions of Urban Educational Reforms. Loyola University Faculty Summer Stipend. \$7,000.

2017

Krings, A. & Schusler, T. 2017 - 2018. *Youth and Environmental Justice Organizing*. Faculty Fellow Award. Center for the Human Rights of Children. Loyola University Chicago. \$5,000.

Copic, C. & **Krings, A.** 2017-2018. *Effective Mobilization and Allyship in Environmental Community Organizing: Case Study of Pilsen, Chicago*. Social Justice Research Fellowship. Loyola University Chicago. \$2,000.

2016

Lee, S. & **Krings, A.** 2016. *The Impact of Urban Austerity Reforms on Educational Access and Parent Participation*. The Learning Community on Poverty and Inequality. The University of Michigan. \$3,000.

2014

Krings, A. 2014 – 2015. *In a Context of Extreme Inequality, How do Marginalized People Collectively Organize to Influence Public Policy?* Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship. Rackham Graduate School. University of Michigan. Tuition and \$32,640.

Krings, A. 2014. Irene and William Gambrell Fellowship, School of Social Work, The University of Michigan. \$8,000.

Krings, A. 2014. Dissertation Writing Institute Fellowship. Sweetland Writing Center. The University of Michigan. \$3,000.

Krings, A. 2014. Rackham Doctoral Candidate Research Grant, The University of Michigan. \$3,000.

2013

Krings, A. 2009 – 2010, 2013 – 2014. Regent Fellowship, Rackham Graduate School, The University of Michigan. Tuition and Stipend.

2012

Krings, A. 2012 – 2013. Gerald R. Ford Fellowship, Department of Political Science, The University of Michigan. Tuition and \$24,500.

Krings, A. 2012. Centennial Spring / Summer Fellowship, Rackham Graduate School, The University of Michigan. \$6,000.

2011

Krings, A. 2011 & 2012. Spring / Summer Research Grant, Rackham Graduate School, The University of Michigan. \$4,000

Krings, A. 2011. Pre-Candidate Research Grant, The University of Michigan. \$1,500.

REFEREED PRESENTATIONS

2021

Krings, A. & Schusler, T. Advancing environmental justice in Chicago through community planning, organizing, and development. Paper accepted at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting. Orlando, FL. Did not attend due to COVID-19.

Kilbane, T., **Krings, A.** & Wathen, M. COVID-19, the 2020 racial justice protests, & social workers' political participation. Paper accepted at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting. Orlando, FL. Did not attend due to COVID-19.

Schusler, T. & **Krings, A.** Transforming Governance to Achieve Racially Equitable Land Use in Chicago, IL, USA. Paper presented at the Environmental Design Research Association Conference. Detroit, MI.

2020

Schusler, T., **Krings, A.**, & Copic, C. Right to place: Transforming governance to achieve racially equitable land use in Chicago, IL. International Symposium on Society and Resource Management. Cairns, Australia. Session cancelled due to COVID-19.

Schusler, T., **Krings, A.**, Melstrom, R., & Copic, C. [Experiences with \(resisting\) green gentrification: Evidence from Chicago](#). Environmental Design Research Association Conference. Tempe, AZ.

Dungy, M., **Krings, A.** & Kilbane, T. Social work's advocacy record: reviewing NASW members' advocacy behavior. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Gutiérrez, L., **Krings, A.**, Mustafa, A. Why get involved? Young adults' views of community involvement. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Krings, A., Dentato, M., Grossman, S. Social work study perceptions of social action. In K. Nicoll (Panel Chair) *The influence of political attitudes on social work and social policy*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Krings, A. & Copic, C. Environmental justice organizing in a gentrifying community. In S. Billiot (Panel Chair) *Promoting environmental justice: The centrality of place and culture*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Teixeira, S. & **Krings, A.** Looking to community initiatives for models of prevention in environmental social work. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

2019

Krings, A., Dentato, M., & Grossman, S. Social Work Student Perceptions of Social Action. Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting. Denver, CO.

Krings, A. Structural social work and environmental justice. Annual Finnish Social Work Research Days. Rovaniemi, Lapland, Finland.

Bell, F., Dennis, M. K., & **Krings, A.** Collective Survival Strategies and Anti-colonial Practice in Ecosocial Work. Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems. New York City, NY.

Copic, C. & **Krings, A.** Effective mobilization and allyship in environmental community organizing: A case study of Pilsen, Chicago. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Krings, A., Thurber, A., Ohmer, M., & Martinez, L. S. The complex relationship between gentrification and community violence: A review of multidisciplinary theory and evidence. Roundtable conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Mathias, J., **Krings, A.,** Mason, L. R., & Bexell, S. Assessing scholarship on social work and the environment: Definitions, trends, and future directions. Roundtable conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Vidal de Haymes, M., **Krings, A.,** & Sharpe, M. Community organizing and parent mentoring: An innovative model to strengthen families and communities. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

2018

Krings, A. Organizing under austerity: How residents' concerns became the Flint water crisis. Paper presented at the Social Work and Social Development International Meeting. Dublin, Ireland.

Krings, A. Developing activist mothers: Evidence from Chicago. Paper presented at the Social Work and Social Development International Meeting. Dublin, Ireland.

Schusler, T & **Krings, A.** Preventing green gentrification: Ensuring community and environmental sustainability within urban development. Paper presented at the Social Work and Social Development International Meeting. Dublin, Ireland.

Victor, B. & **Krings, A.** 2018. Trends in environmental social work scholarship: A scientometric analysis. Paper presented at the Social Work and Social Development International Meeting. Dublin, Ireland.

Krings, A. & Schusler, T. Navigating the green gentrification paradox: The case of the Little Village Environmental Justice Organization (LVEJO). Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

2017

Vidal de Haymes, M., **Krings, A.** and Rallo, S. Mothering beyond the margins: Expanding Latina mom's spheres of care and influence. Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting. Dallas, TX.

Krings, A. & Schusler, T. The "green gentrification" paradox: How social workers can advance environmental justice without displacement. Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting. Dallas, TX.

Dentato, M., Iverson, M., & **Krings, A.** Effectively preparing social work for civic engagement, advocacy, and the promotion of social justice among diverse and marginalized populations. Paper presented at the Network for Social Work Management, New York City, NY.

Krings, A., Kornberg, D., & Lane, E. An anatomy of resistance in lead-contaminated Flint. In A. Thurber (Panel Chair). *The role of social work in advancing equitable development*. Panel conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

Krings, A., Brady, S, & Sawyer, J. Considering the role of social work research in addressing contemporary environmental justice challenges impacting youth and communities. Roundtable conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

2016

Krings, A. & Lee, S. Austerity politics: What social workers need to know about emergency management laws. Paper presented at the meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA.

Iverson, M., Dentato, M., & **Krings, A.** The state of macro social work education in the United States. *Council on Social Work Education*, Atlanta, GA.

Krings, A. Contesting community benefits agreements: The promise and limitations of local organizing for equitable urban development. In A. Khare (Panel Chair). *The politics of urban development and community change*. Panel conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Krings, A. The ethics of land use decisions. In J. Mathias (Panel Chair). *Green social work: Ethical challenges and innovation in environmental justice organizing*. Panel conducted at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting. Washington, DC.

2015

Krings, A. Sustainable social work: An environmental justice framework for social work education. In **A. Krings** (Panel Chair). *Integrating social work and environmental justice: Implications for social work education*. Panel conducted at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.

Krings, A. Integrating social work and political science: The study of use of power. In **A. Krings** (Panel Chair). *The intersection of political science theory and social work policy curriculum*. Panel conducted at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.

Krings, A. Place-making from below: The politics of community benefits agreements and equitable development in Detroit. In J. Bockmeyer (Panel Chair). *Who makes Detroit? Determinants of place-making in a shrinking city*. Panel conducted at the Urban Affairs Association Annual Conference, Miami, FL.

Dowis, S. & **Krings, A.** Deciding to build or burn bridges: Strategic goal-setting within an environmental sacrifice zone. In *The neoliberal neighborhood: New political landscapes in Detroit and beyond*. Panel conducted at the Urban Affairs Association Annual Conference, Miami, FL.

2014

Krings, A. *Local 're-sistance' within a context of extreme inequality: The promise and limitations of community benefits agreements for making economic redevelopment accountable*. Wayne State University 'Re: The City' Symposium. Detroit, MI.

Krings, A. Place-making and power within an environmental sacrifice zone. In **A. Krings** (Panel Chair). *Place-based community organizing: Implications for social work education*. Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting, Tampa Bay, FL.

Krings, A. & Gutiérrez, L. M. *Interdisciplinary perspectives on scholarship and education for community development practice*. Community is the Answer Conference, Glasgow, Scotland.

Krings, A. *How power dynamics influence the role of social work community practice in sacrifice zones*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX.

2013

Krings, A. & Markus G. B. *The provision of goods and services in Detroit: An analysis of the Detroit Future City Plan*. Paper presented at the Conference on Transnational Vulnerabilities in Governance, Employment, Health, and Education: Exploring Integrated Solutions for the US and Africa, Ann Arbor, MI.

Krings, A. & Dowis S. *Decision-making within low-income communities facing undesirable development: A case study from southwest Detroit (2008 – 2012)*. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Dowis, S. & **Krings, A.** *How collective historical consciousness shapes political rationality among marginalized and low-resourced community organizations?* Paper presented at the International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Champaign, IL.

Krings, A., Markus, G. B., Grosso, B., & Karnovsky, S. *How communities strategically adapt to 'shrinking' cities: A comparative case study of the Detroit Works Project*. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

2012

Krings, A., Matlen, S., & Velencia, J. *How a marginalized community negotiates a community benefits agreement.* Paper presented at the National Institute of Health Summit on the Science of Eliminating Health Disparities, Washington, DC.

Krings, A., Matlen, S., & Velencia, J. *Building power and critical consciousness within a context of extreme inequality.* Poster presented at the National Institute of Health Summit on the Science of Eliminating Health Disparities, Washington, DC.

Krings, A. & Spencer, M. *Organizing for environmental justice: From bridges to taro patches.* Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Krings, A., Gutiérrez, L. M., Meier, E., & Webster, K. *Does social justice education influence political participation, civic engagement, and multicultural activism?* Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Krings, A., Markus G. B, Velencia, J., & Russ, S. *Community organization, participatory democracy, and political power: Insights from participatory action research in Detroit.* Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA. Session cancelled due to hurricane.

Krings, A. & Spencer, M. *An application of social movement theory: Organizing for environmental justice.* American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.

Krings, A., Gutiérrez, L. M., Meier, E., & Webster, K. *APA symposium: Engaging students in community research and action.* Paper presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL.

Krings, A. *How do low-resourced community organizations build (equitable) strategic alliances?* Poster presented at the Symposium on Interdisciplinary Scholarship for Community Practice in the 21st Century, Ann Arbor, MI.

Krings, A., Kingra, A., & McClain, N. *How can a low-resourced community organization build allies, neutralize opponents, and influence decision makers? The story of the Southwest Detroit community benefits coalition.* Poster presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Krings, A., Gutiérrez, L. M., Meier, E., & Webster, K. *The effect of social justice education on political participation, civic engagement, and multicultural activism.* Paper presented at the Ball State Diversity Research Symposium, Muncie, IN.

Pandit, S., **Krings, A.,** & Gutiérrez, L. M. *What motivates young people to engage in community service?* Poster presented at the Ball State Diversity Research Symposium, Muncie, IN.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

W+ Explores the Importance of Gender Diversity in Politics. Guest speaker Annual Leadership Institute at the University of Chicago's Women and Other Gender Minorities in Public Service Programs (W+), Institute of Politics. Chicago, IL.

2019

Community organizing to strengthen families and communities. Guest speaker for Sabine Stövesand in the Department of Social Work, Hamburg, Germany University of Applied Sciences.

Promoting sustainable development: Community contestation over environmental gentrification. Social Work and Sustainability Symposium – Research-Based Knowledge and Experiences from Practice. Jyväskylä, Finland.

How Can Chicago Communities Effectively Mobilize, Build Coalitions, and Hold Institutions Accountable? Panel moderator with Chicago-based community organizations. Illinois Collaboration on Youth. Chicago, IL.

2018

Setting the World on Fire: Research, Change, and Social Justice. Faculty Panel. 11th Annual Interdisciplinary Graduate Research Symposium. The Graduate School of Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL.

Expanding Women's Care and Influence: An Evaluation of the Parent Mentor Program. Presented with Hien Nguyen, Siobhan O'Donoghue, and Maria Vidal de Haymes. The Parent Mentor Conference. Chicago, IL.

A Brownbag on Youth and Environmental Justice Organizing. Center for the Human Rights of Children. Presented with Tania Schusler. Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL.

The Green Gentrification Paradox: Advancing Environmental Justice without Displacement. Presented with Tania Schusler. Center on Urban Research and Learning. Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL.

2017

Parent Perceptions of Educational Quality, Parent Engagement, and Educational Justice: Evidence from Detroit and Chicago. Guest speaker at the Learning Community on Poverty and Inequality. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

Case-Based Learning Approaches to Advocacy Work and Skill Development. In T. Kilbane (Panel Chair). Panel presented at the Social Justice Summit. Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL.

2016

The Reproduction of Environmental Injustice: The Promise and Limitations of Community Benefits Agreements. Guest speaker at the University of Michigan Detroit School Series. Ann Arbor, MI.

2015

The Politics of Community Benefits Agreements and Equitable Redevelopment in Detroit. Presenter at the Center on Urban Research and Learning. Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL.

The Politics of Community Benefits Agreements and Equitable Redevelopment in Detroit. Guest speaker at the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program on Community Based Research. University of Michigan. Detroit, MI.

2014

Dialogue on Detroit: Learning from and with the Motor City”. Panelist at the Detroit School Series. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

Out of the Office and Into the Field: A Roundtable Discussion of Fieldwork in the Humanities and Social Sciences. Panelist at the Humanities Center. Wayne State University. Detroit, MI.

2013

The Future of Detroit: Challenge, Promise, Opportunity. Panelist at the Rackham Graduate School Donor Luncheon. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

Mentoring and the Joint Program in Social Work and Social Science. Guest speaker at the School of Social Work Panelist for First-Year Students. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

Mentoring Undergraduate Research Assistants. Guest speaker at the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program orientation for new research sponsors. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

An Introduction to Community Based Qualitative Research. Guest speaker at the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program Community Based Research Program. University of Michigan. Detroit, MI.

An Introduction to Undergraduate Research in the Academy: The Do’s and Don’ts of a Research Assistantship. Guest speaker at the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program Orientation for Undergraduate Research Assistants. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

Making Poverty and Inequality Visible: Doing Research That Matters. Panelist at the Interdisciplinary Group on Poverty and Inequality Annual Conference. University of Michigan.

Gun Violence Reduction and Social Work: The Role of Community Based Practice. Keynote speaker at the Social Work Department Annual Alumni Night. Xavier University. Cincinnati, OH.

Preventing Gun Violence: Implications for Social Work. Panelist at the School of Social Work Community Organization and Child Welfare Learning Community. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

2012

Social Justice 101: Putting the Pieces Together. Panelist at the Symposium for the South Asian Action Network, Growing Allies, and Human Rights Through Education student groups. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

2008

Community & Family Violence: Breaking the Cycle. Panelist at the Community Forum Sponsored by the YWCA of Cincinnati and University of Cincinnati. Cincinnati, OH.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught

Loyola University of Chicago, Doctorate in Social Work Program

SOWK 820 Social Theory and Social Policy 2018, 2020

Loyola University of Chicago, Master of Social Work Program

SOWK 507 Social Welfare Policy and Social Work 2016, 2017, 2020
SOWK 509 Policies and Strategies for Community Intervention 2015 – 2018, 2021
SWFI 530S Field Seminar Foundation Level 2016 – 2018
SOWK 633/714 Philanthropy, Public Policy, and Social Change 2017, 2018, 2020
SOWK 634 Comparative Social Welfare Policy: United States and China 2018

Taught at the Beijing Campus

Loyola University of Chicago, Bachelor Social Work Program

SOWK 201 Social Welfare Policy and Social Work 2018
SOWK 361 Policies and Strategies for Community Intervention 2021

The University of Michigan, Graduate Student Instructor

PS 327 Politics of the Metropolis (Urban Politics) 2011
PS 389 Theory and Practice of Community Organizing 2012

Xavier University, Social Work Department, Adjunct Teacher

POLI 300 Community and Electoral Organizing 2003
POLI-SOC-SW214 Community Building and Social Change 2008
SOWK 330 Community Organizing 2008
SOWK416 Theories and Methods of Macro Social Work 2007, 2008

Courses Developed and / or Redesigned

SOWK 330 Community Organizing (Xavier University)
SOWK 507 Social Welfare Policy and Social Work
SOWK 509 Policies and Strategies for Community Intervention
SOWK 633 Philanthropy, Public Policy, and Social Change
SOWK 634 Comparative Social Welfare Policy: United States and China. *Taught at the Beijing Campus*
SOWK 820 Social Theory and Social Policy

Doctoral Student Advising

Mary Dungy. “Women and Community Organizing.” Dissertation Committee Chair with Susan Grossman and Shweta Singh. School of Social Work, Loyola University Chicago. Expected graduation: 2021.

Sharitza Rivera. Dissertation Committee Chair. Expected graduation: 2022.

Brianna Sorensen. Dissertation Committee Chair. Expected graduation: 2023.

Sean Young. “Pathways for Democracy: Organizational and Individual Impacts of Community Organizing.”
Dissertation Committee Member with Phil Nyden (Chair) and Marilyn Krogh. Sociology
Department, Loyola University Chicago. Graduated 2019.

Independent Study Supervision

2018

Loyola University Chicago

- Exposure elevates thinking: How mentoring can improve educational outcomes of youth in foster care.

2012 – 2014

The University of Michigan

- The Promise and Limitations of Community Practice in a Globalized World
- Research Methods in Political Science
- Sustainability and Development in Urban Areas
- Community Action and Social Change

Mentorship

2016 – 2019

Gannon Fellowship

2015 – 2018

Achieving College Excellence (ACE)

2016 – 2017

Pathways to Academic, Career, and Employment Success Program

2015, 2018

Faculty Mentorship of Social Work Doctoral Student Teaching

2015 – 2016

The Macro Social Work Mentorship Network

2012 – 2014

Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program, The University of Michigan

Winner of 2013 UROP Mentor of the Year

Community Based Research Program, University of Michigan

Student Athlete Tutor

2011 – 2013

The University of Michigan Athletic Department

- SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology
- SOC 221 Sociology of Inequality

- SOC 334 Sociology of Marriage and the Family

ACADEMIC GUEST LECTURES

2021

Integrating Social Work Group Work and Community Practice Theory and Methods: An Examination of Mutual Aid. In A. Rai. *Social Work and Groups*. Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL

Advocacy, Community Organizing, and Social Change. In A. Silva. *Health Justice Lab: Race and Health Equity. Law, Medicine, and Public Health Interdisciplinary Course*. Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL

2018

Organizing Under Austerity: Social Work Macro Practice in a Neoliberal Context. In S. Harding. *Comparative Social Work Practice Models (Macro Practice)*. University of Connecticut School of Social Work. Hartford, CT.

A History of Housing Policy and Segregation in Chicago and the United States. In M. Vidal de Haymes. *Seminar with Universidad Ibero-Americana Student Exchange Collaboration*. Loyola University Chicago. Chicago, IL.

2017

Career Pathways for Social Work Academics. In M. Lundy. *Doctoral Seminar in Teaching*. Loyola University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

Social Work and Social Systems. Loyola University of Chicago. In J. Holley. *Introduction to Social Work*. Chicago, IL.

An Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Community Organization. Loyola University of Chicago. In K. Maas Weigert. *Confronting Homelessness: Local to Global*. Chicago, IL.

Urban Studies and Environmental Justice: The Case of Flint, Michigan. Loyola University of Chicago. In P. Rosenblatt. *Urban Politics*. Chicago, IL.

Examining Community Intervention: Implications for Social Work Theory, Research, and Practice. In N. Perkins. *Seminar on Theory, Practice, and Research*. Loyola University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

Research Design: Political Ethnography and Community Power Studies. In J. Pryce. *Doctoral Seminar on Qualitative Research*. Loyola University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

2016

Preparing for Academic Conferences. In M. Lundy. *Doctoral Seminar in Teaching*. Loyola University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

Determining Your Research Question and Design. In J. Pryce. *Doctoral Seminar on Qualitative Research*. Loyola University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

2015

Life after the Community Based Institute (CBI). In L. Gutiérrez. *Integrative Seminar for Community Scholars: Social Work in Diverse Communities*. The University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI.

Navigating the Social Work Job Market. In M. Lundy. *Doctoral Seminar in Teaching*. Loyola University of Chicago. Chicago, IL.

2014

Macro Social Work Careers and Interventions. In A. Alvarez. *Macro Foundation Theory and Practice*. Wayne State School of Social Work. Detroit, MI.

Social Work, Community Practice, and Activism Inside and Outside of the Academy. *Theory and Practice of Community Building and Development*. In A. Alvarez. Wayne State School of Social Work. Detroit, MI.

The Southwest Detroit Community Benefits Coalition: Investing in a Bridge to a Healthy Community. In S. Lee. *Introduction to Social Welfare Policy and Services*. University of Michigan School of Social Work. Ann Arbor, MI.

An Introduction to Community Organizing and Social Change. (and 2013, 2012, 2011, & 2010.) University of Michigan Department of Psychology. In L. Gutiérrez. *Detroit Initiative Service Learning Course*. Ann Arbor, MI.

2013

An Application of Social Movement Theories: Organizing for Environmental Justice in Southwest Detroit. In S. Park *Human Differences, Social Relationships, Well-Being, and Change Through the Life Course*. Ann Arbor, MI.

Social Work Research and Social Policy Analysis: Power Dynamics within a Campaign for a Community Benefits Agreement. In S. Lee *Introduction to Social Welfare Policy and Services*. University of Michigan School of Social Work. Ann Arbor, MI.

Qualitative Methods and Social Work Research: The Case of the Southwest Detroit Community Benefits Coalition. In S. Lee *Social Work Research Methods*. Wayne State School of Social Work. Detroit, MI.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Service to the Loyola University Chicago School of Social Work

2021 – present Executive Committee, Member

 Doctoral Committee, Co-Chair

2019 – present Doctoral Committee, Member

2019 – 2020 Diversity and Inclusion Committee (Ad Hoc), Member

2018 – 2019 Community Engagement Committee, Co-Chair

 Curriculum Committee, Member

 Curriculum Design Committee Member - “Social Welfare Policy and Social Work” and
“Policies and Strategies for Community Intervention”

2017 – 2019 Policy Curriculum Committee, Member.

2016 – 2021 Committee on Student Affairs Member

2015 – present Foundation Curriculum Committee Member

2017 – 2018 Executive Committee Member

2016 – 2018 Strategic Planning Committee Member

 NASW- IL Advocacy Day, Attendee and Planner

2016 Social Justice Summit Planning Committee Member

2016 Research and Tenure Committee Member

2015 – 2016 Curriculum Design Committee Member - “Promoting Social Justice and
Empowerment: Intersections of Oppression, Privilege, and Diversity in Social Work”

Service to Loyola University Chicago

2020 Reviewer, Gannon Center for Women and Leadership Faculty Awards

2019 – present Member, The Francis Project

2019 – present Dissertation Committee Chair – Mary Dungy, School of Social Work

2018 – present Member, Graduate Faculty

2016 – 2020 Institute on Environmental Studies Climate Change Conference, Planning Committee
Member

2018 Meeting with the Secretary of the Social Justice and Ecology Directorate of the Society
of Jesus, Father Xavier Jeyaraj, S.J., Attendance

- 2017 Jesuit Justice Conference – Commitment to Justice in Jesuit Higher Education. Loyola Delegate. Seattle University.
Dissertation Committee Member – Sean Young, Sociology Department
- 2016 *Here's to Flint* Film Screening and Discussion, Moderator and Planner.
Town Hall Forum: The 2016 Election and Beyond, Planning Committee Member
70 Acres in Chicago: Cabrini Green Screening and Discussion, Planning Committee
Health-EQ Conference and Strategic Planning Session, Social Work Representative.
Heartland / Delta Faculty Conversations Conference. Loyola Delegate. Marquette University. Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Service to the Social Work Discipline

- 2020 – present Influencing Social Policy (ISP), Member
Grand Challenge Advisory Council: Social Responses to a Changing Environment, Member
- 2019 – present Association for Community Organization & Social Administration (ACOSA),
Board Member representing the North Central region
Awards Committee Co-Chair
Organizer, Summer 2020 Call-Ins on Community Practice and COVID-19
CSWE Environmental Curricular Guide Task Force, Member and Contributor to Council on Social Work Education. (2020). *Curricular Guide for Environmental Justice*. <https://cswe.org/getattachment/Education-Resources/2015-Curricular-Guides/2015-Environmental-Justice-Guide-Web-Version.pdf.aspx>
- 2017 – present Journal of Community Practice, Editorial Board Member
- 2018 – 2020 Guest Editor, Special Issue, Research-based Knowledge about Social Work and Sustainability. *International Journal of Social Welfare*.
- 2016 – 2018 ACOSA Special Commission Podcast Committee, Member
- 2015 – 2019 ACOSA Annual Awards Committee, Member
- 2014 – present Special Commission to Advance Macro-Practice in Social Work, Member
- 2013 – present Society for Social Work and Research, Member
- 2012 – present Council on Social Work Education, Member

- 2010 – present Association for Community Organization & Social Administration (ACOSA), Member
- 2016 Invited participant, “People and Climate Change: Vulnerability, Adaptation, and Justice”. Washington University, St. Louis.
- 2014 Urban Affairs Association, Member
- 2012 University of Michigan Community Organization Symposium Planning Committee.

Peer Reviewer for Academic Journals

Advances in Social Work
 Environmental Justice
 Environmental Sociology
 Equity and Excellence in Education
 Health Security
 Humanity and Society
 Human Service Organizations: Management, Leadership, and Governance
 International Social Work
 Journal of Community Practice, Editorial Board Member
 Journal of Political Science Education
 Journal of Social Work Education
 Planning Practice & Research
 Politics and Governance

Peer Reviewer for Academic Conferences

The Council for Social Work Education (CSWE) Annual Program Meeting
 The Network for National Social Work Management
 Society for Social Work Research

Reviewer for Community Grants and Funding

Independent Reviewer. Logan Square Neighborhood Association Parent Mentor Program.

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

- 2015 The Center for Southeast Asian Studies / Ann Arbor, Michigan**
 United States – Indonesia Study Tour Project Planner
- 2014 The University of Illinois at Chicago / Chicago, Illinois**
 Grant Writer for Chancellor
- 2004–2009 The Community Police Partnering Center, The Urban League / Cincinnati, Ohio**
 2009 Grants and Development Director

2009 Interim Executive Director
2005–2008 Trainer and Senior Community Safety Specialist
2004–2005 Community Safety Specialist

2003 The David Pepper for City Council Campaign / Cincinnati, Ohio
Director of Volunteerism and Community Engagement

Mexicantown Community Development Corporation / Detroit, MI
MSW Intern for Bridgewatch Detroit Campaign

2002 Keep Cincinnati Beautiful / Cincinnati, Ohio
Community Outreach Worker

2001–2002 The NAACP Cincinnati Branch / Cincinnati, Ohio
BSW Intern

2001 The Curtis Fuller for Mayor Campaign / Cincinnati, Ohio
Campaign Staff

2001–2002 Refugee Resettlement Program, Archdiocese of Cincinnati / Cincinnati, Ohio
Student Intern

2001 Seanson Foundation / Cincinnati, Ohio
Research Assistant

2000–2001 The Drop Inn Center Homeless Shelter
Community Organizer and Student Intern

1998–2000 Washington Park Elementary School / Cincinnati, Ohio
After School Tutor and Program Director, Student Intern

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2019--2020 Assistant Provost of Academic Diversity Mentoring Program. Mentor. Maryse Richards, Full Professor of Clinical Psychology, Loyola University Chicago.

Spanish Language Immersive Course. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM) Chicago.

2018--2019 Early Career Social Work Mentoring Program. American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare. Mentor John Tropman, Full Professor of Social Work, University of Michigan.

2017 Political Boot Camp for Social Workers, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work and Policy. Washington, DC.

- 2014–2015** Center for Teaching and Learning Faculty Mentorship Program. Mentor Ann Rosegrant Alvarez, Associate Professor of Social Work, Wayne State University
- 2013–2014** Intermediate Spanish Lessons
- 2013** Research Trip to Kerala, India on Women’s Empowerment Programs, University of Michigan School of Social Work
- 2011** Center for Teaching and Learning, “Teaching Writing in the Disciplines”
- 2010** NVivo Training, The University of Michigan Center for Statistical Consultation and Research
- 2008** Advanced Fundraising and Sustainability Planning, Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati
Demystifying Evaluation, The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati
Strategic Thinking and Planning, The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati
Coaching and Team Building Skills, The Health Foundation of Greater Cincinnati
- 2007** Asset Based Community Development, The Leadership Institute
- 2006** Community Organizing, Midwest Academy
Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Seminar, American Crime Prevention Institute
- 2005** National Crime Prevention Council National Conference
- 2004** Center for Problem Oriented Policing National Conference
Camp Wellstone Campaign School, Wellstone Action
- 2003** Community-Based Initiative in Detroit, The University of Michigan School of Social Work

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Academic Podcasts

1. Bowen, E. (Interviewer). (February 12, 2018.) Episode 233 – Dr. **Amy Krings**. Austerity Politics: What Social Workers Need to Know about Emergency Management Laws. *in SocialWork Podcast Series*.
2. Singer, J. B. (Producer and interviewer). (Forthcoming.) Power, Politics, and Social Policy Education. Interview with **Amy Krings**, Vincent Fusaro, Kerri Nicoll, & Na Youn Lee. *The Social Work Podcast*.

Popular Media

1. Klinefelter, Quinn. (2012, April 30). "Detroit-Windsor Needs Second Bridge". *Morning Edition*. National Public Radio.
2. Little, Aesha D. (November 2007). "Into the Crossfire." *Cincinnati Magazine*.
3. Orr, Katie. (2007, June 17). "CeaseFire Cincinnati." *Cincinnati Edition*. WVXU Cincinnati.
4. Trong, Quan. (2007, August 15). "Avondale Dismayed, Determined". *The Cincinnati Enquirer*.
5. Kelley, Eileen. (2007, August 14). "Killing won't end 'Peace Bowl'". *The Cincinnati Enquirer*.
6. Richardson, Rachel. (2007, April 10). "Summit to focus on community safety, crime reduction." *The Cincinnati Enquirer*.
7. Coolidge, Sharon. (2006, August 18). "Out of 'the life', they learn to live." *USA Today*.
8. Arnold, Christy. (2005, November 13). "'Bumps' on bridge deter drug dealers". *Cincinnati Enquirer*.
9. Downs, Maggie. (2003, November 3). "Student volunteers get full exposure to campaign". *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

Academic Outlets

1. Doster, A. 2021. [*The anti-gentrifiers*](#). Loyola University Chicago "Problem Solvers".
2. Ritter, J., Obermann, A., and Danhoff, K. L. 2019. "Social Worker Spotlight: Amy Krings-Barnes, BSW, MSW, Community Police Partnering Center, Cincinnati, Ohio." [*101 Careers in Social Work*](#). Springer Publishing.
3. The University of Michigan School of Social Work. (Winter 2015). Krings analyzes Southwest Detroit campaign for equitable development. [*Ongoing Magazine*](#).