

Curriculum Vitae

Education

Howard University **Washington, DC**
School of Social Work
Ph.D., May 2008

- *The impact of religiosity, ethnic identity, acculturation and perceived discrimination on the self-esteem and academic achievement of Somali youth in the United States*
- Area of specialization: Displaced Populations
- Focus on religiosity, ethnic identity, and acculturation as predictors of self-esteem and academic achievement in Somali youth in the US

Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) **Cleveland, OH**
Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences (MSASS)
M.S.S.A. (Master of Science in Social Administration), May 1994

- Concentration: Management and Community Development

Case Institute of Technology, CWRU **Cleveland, OH**
B.S. in Biomedical Engineering, January 1992

- Concentration: Systems & Control Engineering

Teaching & Leadership Experience

2025- Present Associate Dean, Office of Academic and Student Advancement

**2024 – Present Faculty Scholar, Center for Diversity and Social and Economic Justice
Council on Social Work Education**

**2013 – Present Chair, Community, Administration & Policy Practice Concentration (HUSW)
Co-Chair, Human Behavior and the Social Environment Sequence (Macro)**

2015 - Present Associate Professor, Howard University School of Social Work

Foundation courses (core requirement for students in the MSW program):

- Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
- Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
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- Social Welfare Policy & Services I
- Advocating for Oppressed & Marginalized Communities

Advanced courses: Displaced Populations Field of Practice Specialization

- Urban Uprooting
 - Policies and Practice with the Homeless & Survivors of Disasters
 - Policies and Practice with Immigrants, Refugees, and Asylum-seekers
- Advanced Community Organizing

Doctoral courses

- Pro-Seminar: Communities and Organizations

- March, 2015 Promoted with tenure, Associate Professor**
- 2010 - 2015 Assistant Professor, Howard University School of Social Work**
 Foundation courses (core requirement for students in the MSW program):
- Research Methods I
 - Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
 - Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
 - Social Welfare Policy & Services I
- Advanced courses: Displaced Populations Field of Practice Specialization
- Policies and Practice with the Homeless & Survivors of Disasters
 - Policies and Practice with Immigrants, Refugees, and Asylum-seekers
 - Advanced Community Organizing
- 2024 Guest Lecturer, University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work**
- Faculty seminar on Integrating Religion/Spirituality Content in Teaching
- 2023 Guest lecturer, Stetson University**
- Course: Understanding Spiritual and Religious Themes in Counseling
- 2022 – Present Guest lecturer, School of Divinity, Howard University**
- Course: Sacred Texts & Hermeneutics
 Women, Gender and Family in Islamic Context
- 2021 -- Present Guest lecturer, New York University**
- Course: NYU Post-Master's Certificate in Spirituality and Social Work Program
- 2019 Guest lecturer, Brigham Young University**
- Course: Spiritual Assessment
- 2018 -- Present Guest lecturer, Catholic University**
- Course: Theories of Social Justice
- 2018 -- Present Guest lecturer, University of Utrecht**
- Course: Multicultural Societies, University of Utrecht, the Netherlands
 - Course: Migration and Integration, University of Utrecht, the Netherlands
- 2007 – 2017 Guest lecturer, University of Utrecht, Honor's College**
- Course on "Orientalism: Western (Pre)Conceptions of Islam," University of Utrecht, the Netherlands
- 2009 Fall Assistant Professor (Adjunct), Howard University School of Social Work**
- Course, "Research Methods I" a core requirement for students in the MSW program
- 2008 Summer Lecturer, University of Utrecht**
- Race, Ethnicity and Migration Studies (REMS) Summer Institute, two-week program for students from Europe and the United States, University of Utrecht, the Netherlands, May 2008

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| 2002 – 2004 | Howard University School of Social Work
Teaching Assistant | Washington, DC |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-taught two courses on Displaced Populations (fall/spring) • Topics included homelessness, disasters, immigrants, refugees, asylum-seekers • Assisted in developing syllabi for the two courses • Assisted in evaluation of student performance and assignment of grades | |
| 1994-1996 | International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM)
Lecturer, Department of Business Administration | Kuala Lumpur |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • taught and coordinated multiple-sections of course on Organizational Behavior • designed course syllabus with emphasis on Islam and Management (I/M) • constructed and evaluated examinations and assigned final grades | |

Research Experience

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| 2021 – 2024 | Consultant, “Catalyzing a Cultural Shift toward Integrating Religious and Spiritual Competencies in Mental Health Care Through Training and Systems Level Change,” \$4.5M multi-year grant funded as of June 23, 2021, by the John Templeton Foundation, primary lead Dr. Joseph Currier, University of South Alabama |
| 2011 – Present | Non-resident Research Fellow in the Center for Global Health and the Center for the Study of American Muslims (CSAM) of the Institute for Social Policy and Understanding (ISPU), Washington, DC |

Research Funding

- PI, “Muslim Faith Trends: A Pilot Study of Religious Affiliation and Disaffiliation Among American Muslim Youth”. The Templeton Religion Trust (TRT). Amount Funded: \$259,000, August 2022 – July, 2024; Co-PI: Dr. Samuel Ross, Texas Christian University; Co-I: Dr. Madiha Tahseen, The Family and Youth Institute.
- Co-PI, “Community Engagement,” Council on Social Work Education. Amount funded: \$9,922.50 (2016-2017 academic year). During the 2016-2017 year, three major programs were designed and implemented because of the funding from CSWE. The three programs were: 1) Mock Town Hall Meeting on Homelessness, 2) the Teach-in on Homelessness and 3) a Twitter Town Hall Meeting on Homelessness
- PI, “A Bio-Psychosocial Spiritual-based Examination of the Association Between Religiosity, Depression and Insomnia and Carbohydrate Cravings,” Advanced Summer Faculty Research Fellowship, Office of the Provost and Chief Academic Officer; Amount approved: \$15,000 (Summer 2014/Fall 2014)
- PI, "Religiosity, Acculturation, & the Psychosocial Well-being of Muslim Youth: A Systematic Review," Summer Faculty Research Fellowship, Office of the Provost and Chief Academic Officer; Amount received: \$10,000 (Summer 2013)
- PI, "Development of religious leadership in the US context," Summer Startup, Office of the Provost; Amount received: \$12,000 (Summer 2012)
- PI, "Examination of Factors Impacting the Academic Aspirations, Psychosocial Well-being, and Mental Health of Somali American Later Adolescents," Summer Startup, Office of the Provost; Amount received: \$12,000 (Summer 2011)

Research Conducted without Funding

Co-PI, “Spirituality and Wellness among Muslim Americans,” with David Hodge from Arizona State University and Tariq Zidan, a doctoral student at HUSSW. The study is complete and five peer-reviewed manuscripts were published between 2014-2018, with presentations based on the research were made at the CSWE Annual Program Meeting, the annual conference of the Society for Social Work and Research and the Muslim Mental Health Conference of the Institute for Muslim Mental Health.

Co-PI, “Refugee and Immigrant School Excellence”. Other researchers are colleagues from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. Aim of the study is to establish a consensus-based research agenda to generate knowledge about how to promote school success among newly-arrived adolescent immigrants and refugees. A 2-day meeting of experts was held (May, 2013), a presentation was accepted for the conference of the Society for Research on Adolescence (March, 2014), and data collection surveying the experts was completed and a manuscript was published.

Project Conducted without Funding

Lead Instructor: I submitted a proposal entitled “In Sharp Contrast: The Impact of Race on Domestic Resettlement Experiences of Refugees” to the US State Department Diplomacy Lab through the Howard University Diplomacy Lab Project “U.S. Refugee Resettlement: Looking at Challenges and Opportunities in 2022” The proposal is for MSW students enrolled in the Urban Uprooting: Practice with Displaced Populations course to work in small groups on a project to conduct a thorough examination of the philosophical and ideological roots of U.S. refugee resettlement policy to assess the impact of race on the domestic resettlement experiences of refugees. I was informed via email on May 17th, 2022 that the proposal was accepted for implementation during Fall 2022.

Publications (Peer-reviewed, Refereed, and Invited)

Husain, A., Hijazi, H., & Carlis, S. (in press). Chapter 9: Case Studies from the Field: Muslim-Led Initiatives in Practice. In A. Krenawi (ed). *Social Work with Muslim Communities: Fostering Religious Understanding and Practice*. Springer. [final submission occurred on July 16, 2026]

Oxhandler, H., Canda, E., Husain, A., & Polson, C. (in press). Spiritual and Religious Competencies for Social Work. In J. Currier (ed). *Identifying Competencies for Addressing Spirituality and Religion in Psychotherapy: A Multi-Disciplinary Review and Synthesis*. *Psychotherapy*. [final submission occurred July 20th, 2026]

Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2025). How Do Muslims Cope With the Difficulties They Experience in the United States?: An Examination of Psychological and Spiritual Coping Strategies. *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*, 16(1), <https://doi.org/10.1086/725431>

Hodge, D. R., Boddie, S. C., & **Husain, A.** (2025). Addressing Spirituality in Social Work Education from an Anti-oppressive Perspective: Strategies for Facilitating Inclusive and Equitable Learning Environments. *Journal of Social Work Education*, 1-15.

Husain, A. (2024). Promoting religion and spirituality (R/S) competency among social work students: Challenges and opportunities to move the profession forward. *Spirituality in Clinical Practice*, 11(4), 354–362. <https://doi.org/10.1037/scp0000367>

- Oxhandler, H. K., Canda, E. R., Polson, E. C., **Husain, A.**, & Parrish, D. E. (2024). Promoting religious and spiritual competencies in clinical social work: Considerations, potential barriers, and supports. *Spirituality in Clinical Practice*.
<https://doi.org/10.1037/scp0000364>
- Husain, A.**, Hijazi, H., & Carlis, S. A. (2024). Religion & Spirituality as Buffers Against Islamophobia in the Lives of Asian American Youth. In M. Liu and K. Chan (eds). *Addressing Anti-Asian Racism with Social Work Advocacy and Action* (pp. 168-185). New York: Oxford University Press.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2024). How to Work with Muslim Clients in a Successful, Culturally Relevant Manner: A National Sample of American Muslims Share Their Perspectives. *Social Work*, 69(1), 53-63, <https://doi.org/10.1093/sw/swad048>
- Husain, A.**, Kamil, N. Haque, A., & (in press). Islam, Muslim, & Mental Health. In S. Ahmed & M. Amer (2nd). *Counseling Muslims: Handbook of Mental Health Issues & Interventions*. Routledge: New York. [Final revisions submitted 9/17/23]
- Canda, E. R., Oxhandler, H. K., **Husain, A.**, Polson, E. C., Wolfer, T. A., Sheridan, M. J., Jacobsen, J., & Hardy, K. (2023). Insights from a CSWE Summit for Critical Conversations on Religion, Faith, and Spirituality in Social Work Education. *Journal of Social Work Education*, 59(3), 635-653, DOI: 10.1080/10437797.2023.2235224
- Nienow, M., Sogabe, E., & **Husain, A.** (2023). Racial disparity in social work licensure exam pass rates. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 33(1), 76-83, 10497315221125885.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2023). How do Muslims Cope with the Difficulties they Experience in the United States? An Examination of Psychological and Spiritual Coping Strategies. *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*, doi.org/10.1086/725431.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2023). Are females who wear the hijab more likely to experience discrimination?: A national study of perceptions among American Muslim women. *Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work*, 1-12.
- Husain, A.** & Ishizuka, K. (2022). Anti-oppressive social work practices. In L. Rapp-McCall, K. Corcoran & A. R. Roberts (Eds.). *Social Workers' Desk Reference* (4th ed., pp. 899-906). Oxford University Press.
- Husain, A.**, Mirza, F.Y., & Tirmazi, M.T. (2022). Muslim youth in the United States. In L. Robinson & R. Gardee (Eds). *Radicalization, extremism and social work practice among (minority) Muslim youth in the West*. Abingdon-on-Thames, UK: Routledge Press (pp. 48-69).
- Nestor, D. & **Husain, A.** (2020). It takes a village: Five recommendations to reduce behavioral health misdiagnoses of African Americans. In R. M. Gouridine & J. E. Cross (Eds.). *The Black Perspective Monograph 3: Addressing the COVID-19 pandemic through an examination of mental health and health disparities in the Black community*. DC: Howard University School of Social Work (pp. 44-47)
- Shaw, S. A., Peacock, L., Ali, L. M., Pillai, V., & **Husain, A.** (2019). Religious Coping and Challenges Among Displaced Muslim Female Refugees. *Affilia*, 34(4), 518-534.
- Howard, S. & **Husain, A.** (2019). The impact of economic distress on clinical practice with Muslims from an international and domestic perspective. In L. Openshaw & J. Berry-Edwards (Eds). *Empowering clinical social work practice in a time of global economic distress* (pp. 191-212). Washington, DC: NASW Press.
- Husain, A.** (2019). Understanding Muslim Students on Campus. In K. M. Goodman, M. E. Giess and E. Patel (Eds.). *Educating About Religious Diversity and Interfaith*

- Engagement: A Handbook for Student Affairs* (pp. 233-245). Sterling, VA: Stylus Publishing, Inc.
- Husain, A.** (2019). Islam and social work. In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Social Work*. Oxford University Press. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780199975839.013.963>
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2018). The American Islamic community: Which Muslims are likely to be encouraged by other people? *Journal of Social Service Research*, 44(2), 158-167.
- Zidan, T., Hodge, D. R., & **Husain, A.** (2017). Modeling the Relationships between Discrimination, Depression, Substance Use, and Spirituality: A national sample. *Journal of Muslim Mental Health*, 11(1), 73-74.
- Hodge, D. R., **Husain, A.**, & Zidan, T. (2017). Hijab and Depression: Does the Islamic Practice of Veiling Predict Higher Levels of Depressive Symptoms?. *Social Work*, 1-8. doi: 10.1093/sw/swx027
- McNeely, C. A., Morland, L., Doty, S. B., Meschke, L. L., Awad, S., **Husain, A.**, & Nashwan, A. (2017). How schools can promote healthy development for newly arrived immigrant and refugee adolescents: Research priorities. *Journal of School Health*, 87(2), 121-132.
- Husain, A.** (2017). Islam in the 21st century: Challenges and opportunities for social work with Muslims. *Journal of Religion & Spirituality in Social Work: Social Thought*, 36(1-2), 1-5.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., **Husain, A.** (2017). The Islamic community in post-9/11 America: Which Muslims are likely to report being called offensive names? *Journal of Religion & Spirituality in Social Work: Social Thought*, 36(1-2), 117-132.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., **Husain, A.** (2017). Examining the relationship between encouragement and health-related quality of life among Muslims. *Social Work in Health Care*. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1080/00981389.2017.1316338.
- Husain, A.**, Howard, S. (2017). Religious microaggressions: A case study of Muslim Americans. *Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work*, 26(1-2), 139-152.
- Husain, A.**; Nashwan, A.; Howard, S. (2016). Middle Eastern Immigrant and Refugee Children and Families. In A. Dettlaff & R. Fong. (Eds.) *Immigrant and Refugee Children and Families: Culturally Responsive Practice* (pp. 247-282). Columbia University Press.
- Husain, A.**, Hodge, D. R. (2016). Islamically modified cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT): Enhancing outcomes by increasing the cultural congruence of CBT self-statements. *International Social Work*, 59(3), 393-405.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T. & **Husain, A.** (2016). Depression among Muslims in the United States. *Social Work*, 61(1), 45-52.
- Husain, A.** (2015). Volunteerism among American Immigrant Muslims. In Jane I. Smith and Yvonne Yazbeck Haddad (Eds.). *The Oxford Handbook of American Islam*.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2015). Developing a Model of Wellness among Muslims: Examining the Role of Spirituality. *British Journal of Social Work*, bcv099.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2015). Depression among Muslims in the United States: Examining the Role of Discrimination and Spirituality as Risk and Protective Factors. *Social Work*, 61(1), 45-52.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., **Husain, A.**, & Hong, P. Y. P. (2015). Correlates of Self-Rated Health Among Muslims in the United States. *Families in Society: The Journal of Contemporary Social Services*, 96(4), 284-291.

- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2015). Modeling the Relationships between Discrimination, Depression, Substance Use, and Spirituality with Muslims in the United States. *Social Work Research*, 39(4), 223-233.
- Husain, A.** (2015). Islamophobia: Anti-Islamic Bigotry. In C. Franklin (Ed.). *Encyclopedia of Social Work Online*. New York: National Association of Social Workers/Oxford University Press. [Invited]
- Husain, A.** & Sherr, M. [Guest Co-Editors] (2015). Special Issue: Religion and Spirituality in Competency-Based Social Work Practice. *Social Work & Christianity*, 42(1).
- Husain, A.** & Sherr, M. [Guest Co-Editors] (2015). Introduction: Religion and Spirituality in Competency-Based Social Work Practice. *Social Work & Christianity*, 42(1), pp. 3-6.
- Hodge, D. R., Zidan, T., & **Husain, A.** (2015). Validation of the Intrinsic Spirituality Scale (ISS) With Muslims. *Psychological Assessment* (no pagination specified).
- Ishizuka, K. E. & **Husain, A.** (2015). Anti-oppressive social work practices. In the *Social Work Desk Reference*. New York: Oxford University Press.
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- Tirmazi, M. T., **Husain, A.**, Mirza, F. Y., Abu-Bader, S. H. and Ross-Sheriff, F. (in press, accepted for publication). Socio-Cultural Correlates of Depression and Self-Esteem among Immigrant Muslim Youth. *Journal of Adolescent and Family Health*.
- Husain, A. (2013). Muslim leadership in the U.S. context. In S. H. Callahan (Ed.), *Religious leadership: A reference handbook* (Vol. 1, pp. 186-193). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.
- Husain, A. (2013). An Ecosystems Based Model for Faith-Inspired Parenting. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 23(2), 159-170.
- Tirmazi, T., **Husain, A.**, Mirza, F. Y., and Walsh, T. (2012) Muslim Immigrant Youth: Descriptive Factors related to Acculturation & Psychosocial Adaptation. In M. Siddique, and F. Ahmad (Eds.). *Muslim Youth: Challenges, Opportunities and Expectations*. (pp. 57-77). London: Continuum International Publishing Group.
- Husain, A. and Ross-Sheriff, F. (2011). Cultural Competence with Muslim Americans. In D. Lum (ed.). *Culturally Competent Practice*, 4th edition (pp. 358-390). Belmont, CA: Brooks/Cole Cengage Learning.
- Husain, A. (2010). Book review: Muslims of Metropolis: The stories of three immigrant families in the West. Special issue of the *Journal of Muslim Mental Health*, 5(1), pp. 131-133.
- Ross-Sheriff, F., **Husain, A.** and Tirmazi, T. (2010). Mental Health of Muslim Refugees and Forced Migrants: Practice, Theory, and Research. Guest editors' introduction, thematic issue of the *Journal of Muslim Mental Health*, 5(1), pp. 3-7.
- English, R. A., Ross-Sheriff, F. and **Husain, A.** (2004). "Homelessness and Health Problems Among African Americans." In I. L. Livingston (ed.). *The Praeger Handbook of Black American Health (2nd Edition): Policies and Issues Behind Disparities in Health*. (pp. 536-553). Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc.
- Ross-Sheriff, F. and **Husain, A.** (2004). "South Asian Muslim Children and Families." In R. Fong (ed). *Culturally Competent Practice with Immigrant and Refugee Children and Families* (pp. 163-182). New York: Guilford Publications.
- Ross-Sheriff, F. and **Husain, A.** (2001). "Values and ethics in social work practice with Asian Americans: A South Asian Muslim case example." In R. Fong and S. Furuto (Eds.),

Culturally Competent Practice: Skills, Interventions, and Evaluations (pp. 75-88).
Needham Heights, MA: Allyn & Bacon.

Husain, A. (1999). "Muslim Youth: Prospects and Challenges to Islamic Identity in the United States," *Middle East Affairs Journal*, 5(3-4), 41-54.

Publications (invited, creative)

Husain, A. (2018). "ISNA 2.0: Overhauling the Governance Structure," (March/April), *Islamic Horizons*. Available at: <http://www.isna.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/ISNA-2.0-Altaf-Husain.pdf>

Salman, F. & Husain, A. (2016). "Turning Points: Navigating Challenges, Seizing Opportunities," (September/October), *Islamic Horizons*. Available at: https://issuu.com/isnacreative/docs/ih_sep-oct_16/17

Husain, A. (2013). "MSA National: For 50 Years, 'Students' Has Been Its Middle Name," January 2nd, Op-ed on *The Huffington Post*. Available at: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/altaf-husain/msa-national-for-50-years_b_1940707.html

Husain, A. (2012). "11 Years After September 11th: Remembrance and Resilience," September 11th, Op-ed on *The Huffington Post*. Available at: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/altaf-husain/11-years-after-september-11th-remembrance-and-resilience_b_1874667.html

Husain, A. (2012). "American history incomplete without Muslims," September 4th, Op-ed on Common Ground News Service. Available at: <http://www.commongroundnews.org/article.php?id=31968&lan=en&sp=0>

Husain, A. (2012). "Faith, civic engagement and the 2012 US elections," July 31st, Op-ed on Common Ground News Service. Available at: <http://www.commongroundnews.org/article.php?id=31799&lan=en&sp=0>

Husain, A. (2012). "Transcending America's faith divide to address social injustice." April 3rd, Op-ed on Common Ground News Service. Available at: <http://www.commongroundnews.org/article.php?id=31211&lan=en&sp=0>

Husain, A. (2012). "New York Police can do better for Muslim students," February 28th, Op-ed on Common Ground News Service. Available at: <http://www.commongroundnews.org/article.php?id=31064&lan=en&sp=0>

Husain, A. (2011). "Rep. King must realize Somali Americans are allies," July 27th, Op-ed on CNN.com. Available at: <http://www.cnn.com/2011/OPINION/07/27/husain.somali.king.hearings/>

Husain, A. (2007). "Muslims of America," in *Ascent Magazine*, Fall 2007. Available at: www.ascent-magazine.org (Harvard University)

Husain, A. (2007). "Upholding faith, serving humanity," in *Islamic Horizons*, August/September. Available at: www.isna.net

Husain, A. (2002). "Have you taken the patriotism litmus test?" In Ahmed, N. B. (Ed.). *Unveiling the Real Terrorist Mind*. Philadelphia, PA: Xilbris (Random House).

Husain, A. (2000). "Do we really know the refugees?" *Islamic Horizons*, March/April.

Presentations (Peer-reviewed, invited papers & posters: Academic conferences & events)

Husain, A., Krings, A., & Hamilton, G. 21st Century Displacement & Uprooting [Webinar]. Council on Social Work Education, Center for Diversity & Social & Economic Justice, May 21, 2026.

- Hodge, D. R., Husain, A., Boddie, S. C., & Susmerano, E. Educating students to interact with client spirituality and religion. [Webinar]. Council on Social Work Education, Center for Diversity & Social & Economic Justice, April 7, 2026.
- Husain, A., Dias, M. Faculty Development Institute: It's Time to Act: Championing Disability Justice and Disability Joy in Social Work. Site visits: Atlantis Community, Inc. & Clyfford Still Museum. Council on Social Work Education Conference, October 23-26, 2025, Denver, CO.
- Elkassem, S., Sander, A. C., Hussain, A. & Husain, A. Manufacturing Disability: Genocide, and the Crisis of Amputee Children in Gaza, Palestine [Paper]. Council on Social Work Education Conference, October 23-26, 2025, Denver, CO.
- Apgar, D., Bailey, D., Mizrahi, T. & Husain, A. Interdisciplinary Approaches to Disability, Ableism, and Social Justice in Macro Social Work Practice. [Roundtable]. Council on Social Work Education Conference, October 23-26, 2025, Denver, CO.
- Husain, A. Hodge, D.R., & Zidan, T. Engaging with Muslim Clients in an Anti-Oppressive, Culturally Attuned Manner: Insights from a National Sample of American Muslims. [Oral Paper]. Society for Social Work and Research Conference, January 15 – 19, 2025, Seattle, WA.
- Hijazi, H. & Husain, A. Exploring Religious Experiences Among American Muslim Youth: Preliminary Findings from a Community-Based Ecological Systems Approach [Poster]. Society for Social Work and Research Conference, January 15 – 19, 2025, Seattle, WA.
- Husain, A. Striving for Religious and Spiritual Competence: One Client & Community at a Time. Invited presenter with David Hodge and Holly Oxhandler. Friday, November 15, 2024. Spirituality and Social Work conference, Brigham Young University School of Social Work, Provo, UT
- Husain, A. (co-lead). Pre-Conference Institute: Haskell Indian Nations University, and Wyandot National Burying Ground, Faculty Scholar, Center for Diversity, Social & Economic Justice, Wednesday, October 23rd, 8:30AM - 5PM. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 24-27th, 2024, Kansas City, MO
- Husain, A. A Dialogue with Indigenous Experts to Advance Macro Education, Research and Practice. Co-presenter with members of the Special Commission to Advance Macro Social Work. Friday, October 25th, 10:30AM - 11:30AM. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 24-27th, 2024, Kansas City, MO
- Husain, A. Ecological Displacement. Panel on "Emerging Perspectives on Environmental Justice". Co-presenters: Amy Krings, Nadia Neimanas, Rachel Forbes. Friday, October 25th, 12:30PM - 1:30PM. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 24-27th, 2024, Kansas City, MO
- Husain, A. Challenges and Manifestation of Anti-Asian Racism. Co-presenters, HUSSW PhD students: Sarah Carlis, Hannan Hijazi. Friday, October 25th, 4:15PM - 5:15PM. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 24-27th, 2024, Kansas City, MO

- Husain, A. Navigating Religious Experiences: A Community-Based Study on American Muslim Youth. Hannan Hijazi. Saturday, October 26th, 10:30AM - 11:30AM. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 24-27th, 2024, Kansas City, MO
- Husain, A. Equipping students and practitioners to work with Muslims in an antiracist, culturally appropriate manner. Co-presenters: Tarek Zidan, David Hodge. Saturday, October 26th, 3:00PM - 3:30PM. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 24-27th, 2024, Kansas City, MO
- Husain, A. & Wolfer, T. Incorporating Content on Religion/Spirituality in Social Work courses. University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work, Virtual Presentation, April 1st, 2024.
- Husain, A. Promoting Mental Health Services Among Black Refugees. Webinar presented through a collaboration between HUSSW and BlackDoctors.Org. March 28th, 2024. Note: 28K views, largest number for the Spring 2024 seminars.
- Hodge, D.R., Zidan, T., & Husain, A. Moving Toward Anti-Oppressive Practice with Muslims By Understanding Commonly Used Coping Strategies. In session title “Dismantling white supremacy and moving toward anti-oppressive practice: Insights on engaging racial and religious diversity in social work practice”. Society for Social Work and Research Conference, January 11 – 14, 2024, Washington, DC.
- Husain, A. (2023). Ecological Displacement. 2023 National Association of Social Workers Virtual Forum: Environmental Justice Through the Social Work Lens. (November 1-2, 2023).
- Worthy, J. & Husain, A. (2023). Our Girls Will Rise: Improving the Educational Experiences of Black and Muslim Girls. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 26-29, 2023, Atlanta, GA.
- Hussain, A., Husain, A., & Oyewuwo, O. (2023). Culturally Inclusive Practices for Supporting Muslim Victims of Forced Marriage. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 26-29, 2023, Atlanta, GA.
- Husain, A. Hodge, D. R. & Zidan, T. (2023). Understanding how American Muslims cope with Challenges: Insights to guide social work education. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 26-29, 2023, Atlanta, GA.
- Zidan, T., Hodge, D. R., & Husain, A. (2023). Does wearing a hijab more frequently engender discrimination? A study of American Muslim Women. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 26-29, 2023, Atlanta, GA.
- Mizrahi, T., Bailey, D., Husain, A., Law, K., Jones, G., Nienow, M., Coconis, M. A., Lee, I. S., Bessel, D. R., Miller, N. W. (2023). Promoting Anti-Racist Curricula Through a Macro Lens in Classroom and Practica Settings. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, October 26-29, 2023, Atlanta, GA.
- Hodge, D. & Husain, A. (2023). Inequities in the profession’s literature: Is the voice of Muslims missing from social work? Society for Social Work & Research, Poster Session, January 11 – 15, 2023, Phoenix, AZ
- Husain, A. (2022). Yearning to Breathe: Healthy Families, Healthy Communities. Keynote lecture delivered at The 2022 International Conference on Stigma, Inaugural Rana Lecture on Social Justice in Health. Washington, DC: Howard University Blackburn Center (November 18, 2022 at 11AM.)
- Husain, A., Canda, E. Oxhandler, H. K., Wolfer, T. & Hardy, K. Advancing Collaborations for Education about Religion & Spirituality Regarding Diversity and Global Human Rights.

- Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, November 11, 2022. Anaheim, CA.
- Husain, A. (2022). It Starts With a Question: Critical Conversations About Practice with Muslim Clients/Communities. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, November 11, 2022. Anaheim, CA.
- Hodge, D. & Husain, A. (2022). Islamic content in leading social work journals: A missing perspective in disciplinary discourse? Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, November 11, 2022. Anaheim, CA.
- Apgar, D., Nienow, M., Husain, A. Bailey, D. & Sogabe, E. (2022). Investigating the presence of racial disparity in licensure exams: Implications for social work education. Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, November 12, 2022. Anaheim, CA.
- Mizrahi, T., Bailey, D. et. al. (2022). Promoting Human Rights through Advancing Macro Education, Research and Practice [Michel Coconis, MSW; PhD (Role: Co-Presenter); Monica Leisey, PhD, MSW (Role: Co-Presenter); Kristi Law, MSW; PhD (Role: Co-Presenter); Natasha W. Bragg, MSW, LCSW (Role: Co-Presenter); Mary Nienow (Role: Co-Presenter); Gary A. Jones, Jr., MSW; PhD (Role: Co-Presenter); Sangeun Lee, MSW, LSW, CCM (Role: Co-Presenter); Altaf Husain, MSW; PhD (Role: Co-Presenter). Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, November 12, 2022. Anaheim, CA.
- “Uplifting the underserved in healthcare”. Invited by the Howard University Department of Pediatrics & Child Health for the John W. Downing Jr. and Melvin E. Jenkins Jr. Combined Lectureships, held on May 20, 2022. Washington, DC: Howard University College of Medicine.
- “After the Arrest of a Suspected Serial Killer, How Can Cities Keep their Homeless Population Safe?,” [Panelist] The Daily Drum Radio Show, March 18th, 2022, on WHUR 96.3FM & HUR Voices SiriusXM 141 (Howard University Radio Network)
- “Missing in Brooks County,” screening by WHUT of an independent film about the lives of migrants lost/killed at the southern border. Served as panelist. Discussion aired on February 10, 2022. <https://www.missinginbrookscounty.com/>. Co-panelists: Martinez S. & Canales, E.
- “Emerging Topics in Social Work and Research with Muslims”. Symposium for the 2022 Society for Social Work and Research conference in Washington, DC, January 12-16, 2022
(Erum Agha, Postdoctoral Fellow, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Tarek Zidan (HUSSW PhD Alum), Assistant Professor, Indiana University South Bend, Social Work; Olubunmi Oyewuwo, Assistant Professor, Northeastern Illinois University, Social Work; Anderson Al Wazni, Doctoral Student, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Social Work) – withdrawn due to insufficient in-person presenters due to COVID-19 restrictions
- “Social Work Researchers' Response to Anti-Asian Discrimination during the Covid-19 Pandemic”. Symposium for the 2022 Society for Social Work and Research conference in Washington, DC, January 12-16, 2022
Co-presenters: Dennis Kao, Associate Professor, School of Social Work, Carleton University; Misa Kayama, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, University of Mississippi; Shinwoo; Choi, Assistant Professor, School of Social Work at Texas State University

- “Cultural Intelligence in a Non-Profit space”. [Virtual presentation; with panelists Dr. Janice Berry Edwards and Professor Peter Fitts]. HUSSW Rolling Away the Stone Leadership Program, October 27th, 2021, 4PM – 5PM.
- “How Religious is Religious? Critical Conversation on Levels of Adherence to Faith”. Workshop accepted for the 2021 CSWE APM (Paper withdrawn, did not attend due to pandemic related concerns)
- “Islamic perspectives in social work discourse: Working toward equity for American Muslims. Paper accepted for the 2021 CSWE APM (Paper withdrawn, did not attend due to pandemic related concerns). Co-Presenters: Hodge, D. R. & **Husain, A.**
- “Screening & Panel Discussion: The Donut King,” [Virtual] Facilitated a discussion with Mr. Eskander Negash and Mr. Kazi Mannan [Focus on immigrant, refugee adaptation]. WHUT TV & Indie Lens, May 27, 2021 Available at: https://youtu.be/7Qvq2dvz_7A
- “Woke Students Need Woke Teachers: Infusing Social Justice Meaningfully in the Classroom,” [Focus on Refugees]. Valencia College, March 23, 2021
- “Emerging Trends in Social Work Research with Muslim Youth,” Society for Social Work and Research, March 16, 2021, Virtual Conference (Workshop co-presenters: Amal Killawi, Ifrah Mahamud Magan, M. Taqi Tirmazi)
- “Enhancing Social Work Practice with Faith-Inspired Clients, Constituents & Communities,” National Association of Social Workers – New Jersey Chapter Annual Conference, March 7-8, 2021, Virtual Conference [Presented on March 8, 2021, 11:15AM – 1:15PM]
- “Infusing Social Justice Courses with Perspectives from Faith Traditions,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), November 17, 2020, Virtual Conference (Workshop co-presenter: Brooks Zitzmann)
- “The Social Work Ecosystems Perspective: Implications for Inclusive Practice with American Muslims,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), November 16, 2020, Virtual Conference (Paper co-presenter: Amal Killawi)
- “Addressing the Inherent Anti-Religion & Anti-Youth Bias of P/CVE Programs,” Center for African Studies, Howard University and the Jimmy Rosalyn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution, George Mason University, Virtual Global Conversation, “Countering Violent Extremism in Africa: The Role of Religion,” October 29 and 30, 2020
- “Talent Management & Leadership Practices for Inclusion & Impact,” Webinar by American Muslim Community Foundation, September 23, 2020
- “Finding Your Calm: A Panel Discussion & Q/A About Anxiety Among Muslim Youth During Covid-19,” Webinar by American Muslim Health Professionals (AMHP), May 14th, 2020
- “Promoting Health Marriages in Quarantine,” Webinar by the Institute for Social Policy & Understanding (ISPU), Washington, DC, April 13th, 2020
- “Why Immigrants Owe So Much to the Civil Rights Movement,” Howard University School of Social Work – Black History Month Lecture, Washington, DC, February 25, 2020
- “Encouragement and Health-Related Quality-of-Life (HRQoL) Among American Muslims,” Society for Social Work and Research, 24th Annual Conference, January 16-19, 2020, Washington, DC (ePoster Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Verbal Abuse and American Islamic Community: Which Muslims Are Disproportionately Likely to be Victimized By Name-Calling?” Society for Social Work and Research, 24th

- Annual Conference, January 16-19, 2020, Washington, DC (Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Which Subgroups of American Muslims Are Likely to be Recipients of Encouragement?” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 25, 2019, Denver, CO (Poster Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “The Advocacy Role of Social Workers in Addressing the Separated Children Crisis at the Southern Border,” Elevate Social Work: Courage, Accountability, and Protection, Professional Development Series, Howard University School of Social Work, March 29th, 2019, Washington, DC.
- “Translation within International Qualitative Inquiry: Power, Positionality, and Creation of Meaning,” Society for Social Work and Research, 23rd Annual Conference, January 18, 2019, San Francisco, CA (Co-Panelists: D. S. Byers, T. Moss, C. Sousa, & O. G. Benson)
- “Infusing Content on Faith-Based Organizations: A Focus on Muslim Non-Profit Organizations,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 9, 2018, Orlando, FL (Co-presenters: S. Sultana, S. Howard)
- “Health-related quality-of-life among American Muslims: Developing a model to guide inter-professional care” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 10, 2018, Orlando, FL (Poster Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Understanding verbal abuse targeting American Muslims: A foundation for inter-professional advocacy” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 10, 2018, Orlando, FL (Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Faith, Spirituality, Mental Health and Suicide Prevention: Connecting the Silos,” #ElevateTheConvo Twitter Chat, Dr. Sally Thomas – Convenor; Co-Panelists: R. Daw, E. Epstein, M. Gould, B. Moses, H. Oxhandler, R. Vore; April 26th, 2018 (5PM PST/8PM EST)
- “Hijab and depression among American Muslim women: A cross-sectional study,” Zidan, T., Husain, A., & Hodge, D. R. 10th Annual Muslim Mental Health Conference at the US Institute of Peace sponsored by Michigan State University Department of Psychiatry and the Institute of Muslim Mental Health, forthcoming, March 15-17, 2018, Washington D.C.
- “Extreme faith and extremely marginalized – How personal stand and campus community can hurt and heal,” Plenary Address, National Association of College and University Chaplains (NACUC), February 20, 2018, Washington, DC
- “From the margins of our profession: Intersections of disciplines and faith,” National Association of College and University Chaplains (NACUC), February 20, 2018, Washington, DC
- “Hijab and Depression: Examining the Relationship Among American Muslim Women,” Society for Social Work and Research, 22nd Annual Conference, January 10-14, 2018, Washington, DC (Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Discrimination and Subjective Well-Being Among Muslims in the United States,” Society for Social Work and Research, 22nd Annual Conference, January 10-14, 2018, Washington, DC (Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “A Family Systems Approach to Trauma Treatment with Syrian Refugee Families,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 20–22, 2017, Dallas, TX. (Co-presenter: S. Howard)

- “Examining the Relationship Between Veiling and Depression Among American Muslim Women,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 20–22, 2017, Dallas, TX. (Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Modeling the effects of discrimination on subjective well-being among American Muslims,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 20–22, 2017, Dallas, TX. (Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Discrimination and negative health outcomes among American Muslims,” Society for Social Work and Research, 21st Annual Conference Meeting, January 11-15, 2017, New Orleans, LA (Co-presenters: D. R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Predictors of Self-Rated Health Among a National Sample of American Muslims,” Council on Social Work Education, 62nd Annual Program Meeting, November 3-6, 2016, Atlanta, GA (Co-presenter: D.R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “The Effects of Discrimination on Depression and Substance Use Among American Muslims,” Council on Social Work Education, 62nd Annual Program Meeting, November 3-6, 2016, Atlanta, GA (Co-presenter: D.R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “It's Not About the Birds and the Bees: Parents, Targeted Teens, and 'The Talk,’” National Association of Social Workers, Annual Conference, June 22-25, 2016, Washington, DC (Co-presenters: T. Whitaker and C. Snell)
- “Measuring Spirituality Among American Muslims: Validation of a Culturally Congruent Instrument,” Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), 20th Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC (Co-presenters: D. Hodge; T. Zidan).
- “Does Discrimination Predict Depression Among Muslims? A National Study of the Effects of Four Different Types of Discriminatory,” Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), 20th Annual Conference, January 13-17, 2016, Washington, DC (Co-presenters: D. Hodge; T. Zidan).
- “20 in 2020’: ‘Macro Matters’ Campaign to Advance Macro Practice in Social Work,” Partnership Presentation, Council on Social Work Education, 61st Annual Program Meeting, October, 2015, Denver, CO (Co-presenters: D. Bailey; T. Mizrahi; T. Soska; J. Norton; S. Roll; S. Burghardt; D.K. Androff; M. Homan)
- “Depression Among American Muslims: Discrimination and Spirituality As Risk and Protective Factors,” Council on Social Work Education, 61st Annual Program Meeting, October, 2015, Denver, CO (Co-presenter: D.R. Hodge; T. Zidan)
- “Infusing Religious/Spiritual Microaggression Content Into Practice Courses: A Case Study of Muslims,” Council on Social Work Education, 61st Annual Program Meeting, October, 2015, Denver, CO (Co-presenter: S. Howard)
- “Poverty: A Global Perspective,” HUSSW Field Education Office, Annual Field Instructors Conference, June 26th, 2015, Washington, DC (Co-presenters: T. Moss-Knight; F. Ross-Sheriff)
- “A Religious-Spiritual Framework for Understanding Acculturation Among Muslims,” Council on Social Work Education, 60th Annual Program Meeting, October, 2014, Tampa, FL.
- “Effective Strategies for Promoting School Success for Adolescent Refugees and Immigrants: New Directions for Research,” in Symposium: Adaptation of Refugee and Immigrant Adolescents: New Findings and Research Recommendations, Biennial Program meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, March 20-22, 2014, Austin, TX (Co-presenters: C. McNeely; L. Morland; L. Meschke; K. Brown; S. Doty; C. Allen)

- “Intersections: Religiosity, Self-Esteem, and Academic Achievement in the Lives of Somali Muslim Youth,” Council on Social Work Education 59th Annual Program Meeting, November, 2013, Dallas, TX. (Co-Presenters: S. Abu-Bader and F. Ross-Sheriff)
- "Social Work Practice with Muslim Clients and Communities" CEU workshop (6 ethics credits) sponsored by the Center for Spirituality and Social Work, Catholic University, Washington, DC, April, 2013 (Co-Presenter: Salma Abugideiri)
- “Ethical & Cultural Considerations in Health Seeking Behaviors: Diversity in Action,” National Association of Social Workers – DC Chapter Conference, February, 2013, Washington, DC. (Co-presenter: Dr. Cynthia Harris, Howard University)
- “Immigration: Political, Economic, and Sociocultural Factors Affecting Muslim Immigrants and Refugees,” Society for Social Work and Research, 17th Annual Conference, January, 2013, San Diego, CA. (Invited symposium, co-panelists: Dr. Luis Zayas, University of Texas at Austin and Dr. Jini Roby, Brigham Young University).
- “Translating Research/Teaching Expertise Into Curriculum Resources: CSWE's Religion and Spirituality Clearinghouse,” Council on Social Work Education 58th Annual Program Meeting, November, 2012, Washington, DC. (Co-Presenters: Dr. Edward Canda (University of Kansas) and Dr. Michael Sheridan (Catholic University)).
- “Validation of Measures of Acculturation and Well-Being on American Muslim Elderly,” Council on Social Work Education 58th Annual Program Meeting, November, 2012, Washington, DC. (Co-Presenter: S. Abu-Bader)
- “Mental Health for Muslims Workshop,” Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships Center at the Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC, August 31st, 2012 (Discussant on the impact of discrimination/prejudice on behavioral and mental health)
- “Cultural Competence as an Ethical Imperative in Clinical Social work Practice with Diverse Populations: Special Emphasis on Wounded Warriors,” Sponsored by the Department of Veteran’s Affairs, Medical Center and the Howard University School of Social Work, March, 2012
- “Conducting research with Muslims: national and international perspectives,” Society for Social Work and Research 16th Annual Conference, January, 2012, Washington, DC (Co-Presenters: S. Abu-Bader, F. Ross-Sheriff, T. Tirmazi (Morgan State))
- “Innovations in teaching about religious and spiritual diversity in social work: A new CSWE initiative,” Council on Social Work Education 57th Annual Program Meeting, October, 2011, Atlanta, GA (Co-Presenters: E. Canda (Univ. of Kansas), H. Land (USC), M. Sheridan (Catholic U), M. Sherr (Baylor U.))
- “From Muslims in America to Muslims *of* America: mindset and mental health,” Council on Social Work Education 57th Annual Program Meeting, October, 2011, Atlanta, GA
- “The evacuation and stabilization of older adults during disasters: the social work response,” Multidisciplinary Gerontology Center, Howard University School of Social Work, May 18th, 2011, Washington, DC
- “Displaced populations: human trafficking and implications for research”, 75th Anniversary of the Howard University School of Social Work, March 25th, 2011, Washington, DC
- “Spirituality and Faith as Bases of Support in Social Work Practice: Islamic Teachings,” Field Instructors Seminar, Howard University School of Social Work, February 18, 2011
- “The Impact of Religiosity, Ethnic Identity, Acculturation and Discrimination on the Self-esteem and Academic Achievement of Somali Youth in the United States,” Society for Social Work and Research 15th Annual Conference, January, 2011, Tampa, FL (Co-author: S. Abu-Bader)

- “National Security and Beyond: Infusing, Sustaining Muslim Youth Content in Practice Courses,” Council on Social Work Education 56th Annual Program Meeting, October, 2010, Portland, OR
- “Cultural competency in social work practice with Muslim Americans,” Poster presentation, with Fariyal Ross-Sheriff, Council on Social Work Education 56th Annual Program Meeting, October, 2010, Portland, OR
- “Somali Diaspora,” Presentation to officials of the Department of Homeland Security; organized by the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (DHS), February 17, 2009, Washington, D.C.
- “Orienting students to the impact of refugee admissions policies on psychosocial well-being,” Council on Social Work Education 54th Annual Program Meeting, Oct., 2008, Philadelphia, PA
- “Youth Leadership Workshop,” Conference theme, “The American Experience: A National Summit To Promote the Well-Being of Arab and Muslim Youth,” Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, March, 2008, Dearborn, MI
- “Overwhelmed” Clients: Incorporating Content on Muslim Families into Cross-Cultural Practice Courses,” Council on Social Work Education 53rd Annual Program Meeting, October, 2007, San Francisco, CA
- “Refugee Admissions and Resettlement Policies: Integrating Content into Social Welfare Policy Courses,” Council on Social Work Education 52nd Annual Program Meeting, Feb., 2006, Chicago, IL
- “Re-conceptualizing the Role of Religion in the Resettlement of Refugees,” Council on Social Work Education 51st Annual Program Meeting, February, 2005, New York, NY.
- “Social Work Education for Disasters & Disaster Services,” Council on Social Work Education 51st Annual Program Meeting, Feb., 2005, NY. Co-presenters: Dr. R. English & Dr. F. Ross-Sheriff
- “Integrating Content on Muslim Refugee Families into Courses on Cross-Cultural Practice Settings,” Council on Social Work Education 50th Annual Program Meeting, Feb., 2004, Anaheim
- “Beyond the Rhetoric: Islam and Social Justice,” Baccalaureate Program Directors Annual Meeting, October, 2003, Reno, Nevada
- “Refugees and the Trauma of War: In Theory and In Practice,” Islamic Social Services Association Annual Conference, June, 2003, Toledo, OH
- “Targets of Post 911 Backlash: Implications for Social Work,” Baccalaureate Program Directors Annual Meeting, October, 2002, Pittsburgh, PA
- “Impact of Sanctions on Iraqi Children and Youth,” Council on Social Work Education 48th Annual Program Meeting, March, 2002, Nashville, TN
- “Integrating Content on Islamic Culture into Courses on Practice in Cross-Cultural Settings,” Council on Social Work Education 48th Annual Program Meeting, March, 2002, Nashville, TN
- “Islam and Social Welfare,” Council on Social Work Education 48th Annual Program Meeting, March, 2002, Nashville, TN
- “Aftermath of September 11, 2001: Implications for Social Work,” Council on Social Work Education 48th Annual Program Meeting, March, 2002, Nashville, TN
- “The World of Islam,” Panelist with Don Belt [author of book by same name], and Dr. Yvonne Haddad, National Geographic Society, Washington, DC, January 2002

“Cyber-Counseling: Giving Voice to those Suffering in Silence,” Islamic Social Services Association Annual Conference, June, 2001, Detroit, MI
“Adaptation and Identity Formation of the Somali Refugee Adolescents,” Council on Social Work Education 47th Annual Program Meeting, February, 2001, Dallas, TX

Presentations (Invited: campus programs, community-based conferences and seminars)

Member of speaker circuit/consultant in North America on topics relating to Counseling/Social Services, Child/Family Development, Non-profit Management, Fundraising/Development having raised nearly \$90M since 2009, Immigrant/Refugee Issues and Policies, History and development of Islam in America, and Race Relations

- “Evicted by Design: Who Killed the American Dream?” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 23, 2026
“Wisdom Over Impulse: Mastering the Moment,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 24, 2026
“The Crucial Role of American Mosques: Building a Resilient Community,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, Friday, December 26th, 2025
“Socioemotional and Mental Health Implications of AI: An Islamic Perspective,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, Friday, December 27th, 2025
“Fragmented Realities: Building Bridges in a World of Conflict,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 24, 2025
“Why Today’s Leadership is Failing – The Absence of Morality in Governance,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 25, 2025
“Muslim Campus Life: Navigating the Post-October 7th Campus Environment,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 25, 2025
“Beyond the Headlines: Key Policy Issues Impacting American Muslim Everyday Lives Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 27th, 2024
“Can I really Make A Difference? Tackling Injustice Collectively,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 26th, 2024
“Balancing foreign engagement & domestic issues: A look through the last 20 years,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 25th, 2024
“Mission continues: Role of Islamic movements in the context of the Western world,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 25th, 2024
“Communication, Collaboration, Cooperation,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 30th, 2023

- “Allah-centered parenting – overcoming challenges (atheism, self-centeredness, materialism, and lack of resilience),” Annual Convention of the Muslim Association of Canada, Toronto, ON, September 2nd, 2023
- “The Hidden War: Inside the Hearts, Minds & Souls of our Next Generation,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 28th, 2022
- “The Journey: American Muslim Community from Initiation, through Organization to Making Impact,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 27th, 2022
- “Charity Begins at Home,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America – Muslim American Society, Baltimore, MD, May 28, 2022
- “Educating a Faithful Child,” [Virtual] Lecture, Crescent Academy International, Saturday, April 16th, 2022
- “Strengthening Community Bonds Through Innovative Programs & Services,” [Virtual] Lecture, Muslim American Society Annual Banquet, Sunday, March 6, 2022
- “Building Bridges, Crossing Rivers: Supporting Newly Arrived Refugees,” [Virtual] Lecture, ICNA Relief, Annual Banquet, Saturday, February 19, 2022
- “The Hidden War: Inside the Hearts, Minds & Souls of our Next Generation,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 28th, 2021
- “The Journey: American Muslim Community from Initiation, through Organization to Making Impact,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 27th, 2021
- “The art of mentoring and advising,” Annual Convention of the Muslim American Society – Islamic Circle of North America, Chicago, IL, December 26th, 2021
- “Climbing from rock bottom: Not losing faith during tribulations,” [Virtual], National Council of Nigerian Muslim Organizations Conference, December 24th, 2021
- “Investing in Scholarships for Journalism, Public Policy & Other Majors,” [Virtual], Banquet of the Islamic Scholarship Fund, November 14, 2021.
- “Strategies to Support Rohingya Refugees & Minority Populations,” [Virtual], 31st Annual of the North American Bengali Islamic Community (NABIC), October 9th, 2021
- “Exploring the social and emotional factors impacting the affiliation and disaffiliation of Muslim youth,” [Virtual], Conference of the Assembly of Muslim Jurists in America, September 19th, 2021
- “Managing The Family, Work and Spiritual Domains as a Graduate Student,” [Virtual] Lecture, Muslim Ummah of North American, August 29, 2021
- “The Everlasting Benefits of Seeking Knowledge,” [Virtual] Lecture, A Continuous Charity, April 24, 2021
- “The More You Give, The More You Get,” [Virtual] Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, April 3, 2021
- “Navigating the seeking and giving of advice as leaders,” [Virtual] Muslim Youth of North America, March 7, 2021
- “Islamophobia: Confronting a Global Challenge,” [Virtual] Lecture, Islamophobia Studies Center, University of Berkeley, February 27, 2021
- “Parents & Youth: Helpers, One of Another in Faith,” [Virtual] Lecture, Manitoba Islamic Association, January 8th, 2021

“Islamic activism: history, importance & principles,” [Virtual] Indonesian Muslim Society in American and Malaysian Islamic Study Group Joint Convention, December 26, 2020
 “Protecting the Country of ‘Immigrants’ From Fascism & Xenophobia,” [Virtual] Annual Convention, Muslim American Society, December 27, 2020
 “Empowering Survivors,” Webinar on Domestic Violence Awareness, Helping Hand for Relief and Development, October 23, 2020
 “Refocusing on the positive,” Webinar by Muslim Youth of North America, September 19, 2020
 “Pitfalls of a Spiritual Void Among Islamic Leaders,” Webinar by Muslim Ummah of North America, September 5, 2020
 “Dismantling Racist & Oppressive Systems: Serving Through the Pain,” Virtual Panel, Howard University School of Social Work, June 9th, 2020 [Organizer & delivered prayer]
 "A Communal Lament: Sorrow in Action," Virtual Prayer Program, Howard University Andrew Rankin Chapel, June 8th, 2020
 “True Servants of the Merciful: Professional Imperatives Amidst the Pandemic,” Webinar by the American Association of Bangladeshi Scholars and Professionals (AABSP), May 9th, 2020
 “Importance of Spiritual Benefits of Ramadan Amidst the Pandemic,” Webinar by the Muslim Ummah of North America (MUNA), May 3rd, 2020
 “When the Doors of Our Masjids Are Closed: Managing Communities During Coronavirus,” Webinar by Yaqeen Institute for Islamic Research, April 1st, 2020
 “Spirituality and Social Justice: The Islamic Tradition,” Georgetown Law Muslim Students Association, Washington, DC, February 12, 2020
 “Breaking the Taboo: A Conversation About Sexual Abuse and Domestic Abuse in the Community,” Annual Convention, Muslim American Society (MAS), Chicago, IL, December 27th – 29th, 2019
 “A Mercy to Humanity: American Muslim Views on Poverty and Philanthropy,” Annual Convention, Muslim American Society (MAS), Chicago, IL, December 27th – 29th, 2019
 “Overcoming the Fear of Failure: Personal & Professional Endeavors,” Annual Convention, Muslim American Society (MAS), Chicago, IL, December 27th – 29th, 2019
 “Mentors and Leaders, Not Idols,” Annual Convention, Muslim American Society (MAS), Chicago, IL, December 27th – 29th, 2019
 “Allah's Attributes: The Source of Our Superpowers,” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2019
 “The Upswing, Coming Back from a Spiritual Downfall,” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2019
 “Falling in Love with Allah: His 99 Attributes,” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2019
 “The Power Within,” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2019
 “‘I Should've Gotten Over It by Now’: Surviving the Impact of Grief on Faith,” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2019
 “Who am I? Why am I here? Navigating adolescent identity,” Yaqeen Institute for Islamic Research program at ADAMS Center, Sterling, VA, July 27th, 2019
 “Nurturing a moral conscience: What next for doctoral education?” Doctoral Program Recognition Luncheon, Howard University School of Social Work, May 2nd, 2019

- “What’s Next? Sustaining the Spiritual Experiences of Ramadan Year-Long,” Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, Washington, DC, April 19-21, 2019.
- “No Kidding About Bullying,” Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, Washington, DC, April 19-21, 2019.
- “Coping with Mental Health Challenges: Stigma No More,” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2018.
- “Community Conversations: What does inclusivity look like on college campuses?” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2018.
- “The Urgency to Serve Now: A panel discussion about the need for human capital in American Muslim community nonprofits,” Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Houston, TX, August 30th - September 2, 2018.
- “Islam in Modern American Society,” 2018 Faith Angle Forum -- Ethics and Public Policy Center, Miami Beach, FL, April 15-16, 2018
- “Treating bigotry and racism as public health hazards,” Free University, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, March 14, 2018
- “Social work in turbulent times: A transatlantic dialog,” DOCK Social Services Agency, Rotterdam, The Netherlands, March 13, 2018
- “Confronting religious intolerance and Islamophobia,” Office of the Provost - Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA, May 17, 2017
- “Interfaith perspectives on social work and social justice,” School of Social Work, Howard University, Washington, DC, April 26th, 2017
- “America’s original sin: racism and social inequality,” Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, Baltimore, MD, April 14-16, 2017
- “Who are Muslim Americans? What are the key beliefs and values of Islam? What is Sha’riah?” Federal Judicial Center, Washington, DC, November 8, 2016
- “Compassionate and Disrupted - How Faith Equips, Enables, and Sometimes Handicaps Those Who Need it Most,” panelist, Annual Gathering, Association for College and University Religious Affairs (ACURA), Washington, DC, November 2, 2016
- “Protect Your Iman (Faith): The Effects of Islamophobia,” Annual Convention, Muslim Youth of North America, Chicago, IL, September 3rd, 2016
- “Where There is Hope, There is Faith,” 53rd Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Chicago, IL, September 4, 2016
- “Self-Care in Trying Times,” 53rd Annual Convention, Muslim Students Association of the US and Canada, Chicago, IL, September 4, 2016
- “Love in the Time of Xenophobia,” panelist, First Congregational United Church of Christ, Washington, DC, May 3, 2016
- “The Psychological Impact of Growing Up Muslim in a Post-9/11 U.S.,” Muslims in a Global Context: A Mini-Course, Global Studies Center, University of Pittsburgh, March 18-20, 2016.
- “Spiritual Recognition Luncheon, Motivational Remarks,” 52nd Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Chicago, IL, September 4, 2015
- “Spiritual Reservoirs: Exploring the Positive Side,” 52nd Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Chicago, IL, September 5, 2015
- “Following in the Footsteps of Great Leadership,” 52nd Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Chicago, IL, September 6, 2015

- “Conversations: Race and Prejudice in Muslim America,” 52nd Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Chicago, IL, September 6, 2015
- “Pathways to Working in Family Services,” 51st Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Detroit, MI, August 29th, 2014
- “Restoring Dignity: Ethics & Best Practices of Engaging in Community Service,” 51st Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Detroit, MI, August 30th, 2014
- “Impacting Communities Where We Live,” 51st Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Detroit, MI, August 31st, 2014
- “Fostering Strong Youth, Growing Strong Families,” Project Sakinah, Columbus, Ohio, June 29th, 2014
- “#BeyondMoralOutrage: Sustaining Moral Outrage Beyond a Tweet,” Leiden University, the Hague campus, the Netherlands, June 16th, 2014
- “The Social Justice Dimension of Ramadan,” Ontdek Islam, Rotterdam, the Netherlands, Sunday, June 15th, 2014
- “Social justice and service learning within the Islamic tradition,” Valencia College (East Campus), Orlando, FL, June 5th, 2014
- “Immigration in the 21st Century African Diaspora,” Humanities Common Text Colloquium, College of Arts and Sciences, Howard University, April 8, 2014
- “Cultural Integrity and Integration,” 50th Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Washington, DC, September, 2013
- “A Muslim Perspective Towards the Development of a National Agenda on Adolescent Health,” Office of Adolescent Health, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC, May, 2013
- “Mental Health Services for Muslims: Challenges and Opportunities,” Cope Inc., Washington DC, April, 2013
- “The Muslim Family: Building Homes of Tranquility,” 49th Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Washington, DC, September, 2012
- “Islamic Communities in America,” The Association of Muslim Chaplains & The Islamic Seminary Foundation, Herndon, VA, June 17, 2012
- “Anti-Islamic Bigotry: Un-American, Socially Unsustainable,” 37th Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, Hartford, CT, May, 2012
- “Power in Numbers: How Research About Our Community Can Guide Youth Program Planning,” All Dulles Area Muslim Society Seminar, Sterling, VA, May, 2012 (Co-Presenters: Fatima Mirza, M. Taqi Tirmazi)
- “Connecting MLK to Islamic teachings,” panelist, “The Timeless Relevance of Dr. Martin Luther King’s Teachings to All Faiths: An Interfaith Dialogue,” Sponsored by the Howard University Office of the Dean of the Chapel, February 29th, 2012
- “Insider’s view: perspectives of a Muslim in social work,” Catholic University (Course: Diversity in a multicultural society), Washington, DC, February 21st, 2012
- “Relevance of the Black Perspective: Working with diverse and displaced populations and faith-based organizations,” Black History Month program, sponsored by the “HUSSW Student Council Association, February 21st, 2012
- “Shades of Black: An examination of social issues from the black male perspective”, Black History Month program, sponsored by the “HUSSW Student Council Association, February 17, 2012

“Muslims Transcending Space & Time: A Billion Faces, One Faith,” Keynote address, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Office of the Chaplain to the Institute, October 8, 2011

“Living Leadership in the 21st Century for Future Generations,” ECHO Center of Expertise for Diversity Policy (in higher education), in cooperation with University of Utrecht, June 7, 2011

Graduation Speaker, Al-Huda Islamic School, College Park, MD, June 5th, 2011

“Fighting drug and substance abuse among Muslim teens: are we heading in the right direction?” 36th Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, Hartford, CT, May 29th, 2011

“A Closer Look at Refugees & Internally Displaced Persons,” Presentation to sixth graders, Elsie Whitlow Stokes Community Freedom Public Charter School, Washington, DC, May 5th, 2011

“Shielding Our Community from the Biophysical and Psychological Impact of Anti-Islamic Bigotry,” Mustafa Center Youth Program, Annandale, VA, March 25th, 2011

“Translating Faith into Service,” 47th Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Washington, DC, July 4th, 2010

Lecture/dialog, impact of Dutch elections on minorities, ECHO Center of Expertise for Diversity Policy (in higher education), in cooperation with University of Utrecht, June 22, 2010

“Legacy of Islam in America: The Trans-Atlantic Voyage and Beyond,” 46th Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Washington, DC, July 3rd, 2009

“Multiple Crises: Young, Poor, Illiterate, and Losing Hope,” on panel presentation entitled, “Other weapons of mass destruction,” 34th Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, Hartford, CT, May 23rd, 2009

“Growing up in America: The Strengths of Somali Youth,” Young Somali Men: The Next Generation of Somali Leaders, Falls Church, VA, January 10, 2009

“Service to the community: Living the spirit of Ramadan,” 45th Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Columbus, OH, August 30, 2008

“The role of young Muslim women: Challenges and opportunities,” Young Somali Women: The Next Generation of Somali Leaders, Falls Church, VA, August 16, 2008

“Dealing with Burnout and Frustration as a Community Volunteer,” 33rd Annual Convention, Islamic Circle of North America, Hartford, Connecticut, July 4th, 2008

Graduation Speaker, Al-Amal Islamic School, Minneapolis, MN, June 7th, 2008

“Strategies on Presenting About Islam,” Workshop conducted at the University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, January 12, 2008

“Muslim Life in America,” A Town Hall Meeting on the Muslim Experience in America since September 11, 2001. Council on Foreign Relations, November 12, 2007, New York, NY. Transcript available: <http://www.cfr.org/religion/muslim-life-america-rush-transcript-federal-news-service/p14859>

“The State of Black America: Defining challenges, identifying solutions,” Muslim Alliance in North America First Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November, 2007

“Meet the Author: A Conversation with Paul Barrett, Author of *American Islam: The Struggle for the Soul of a Religion*,” 44th Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America (ISNA), Chicago, Illinois, September, 2007

“Understanding Islam in America,” Panel presentation with Paul Barrett, Asra Nomani and Mona Eltahawy, 92nd Street Y, New York, New York, February, 2007

“All Eyes on You: Challenging Stereotypes with Good Character,” West Zone Conference, Islamic Society of North America, Los Angeles, CA, December 23, 2006.
 “Growing Up, Growing Old: Everyone is Talking, So Who is Listening?” 43rd Annual Convention, Islamic Society of North America, Chicago, IL, September 3, 2006.
 “Ramadan (fasting) and Social Justice,” Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, October, 2005
 “Teambuilding,” Council on American-Islamic Relations, National Office, DC, October, 2005
 “Meaning and Significance of Ramadan (fasting),” Council on American-Islamic Relations, Cleveland Chapter, October, 2005
 “Gender Relations in the Workplace and in Institutions of Higher Education,” George Mason University, Muslim Campus Ministries, March, 2004
 “Refugee Admission Policies Post September 11,” Georgetown University, Human Rights Week, February, 2004
 “Injustice Anywhere Is a Threat to Justice Everywhere,” University of Pennsylvania, Muslim Students Association/Office of the Chaplain, September, 2003
 “Muslim Prayer on the Anniversary of September 11, 2001,” Howard University, Interfaith Commemoration on the Quadrangle, Dean of the Rankin Chapel, September, 2003
 “Resilience in the Face of Adversity,” Virginia Commonwealth University – Arlington Campus, September, 2001

Professional Development

“Navigating Challenging Conversations.” March 5th, 2026, Council on Social Work Education Center for Diversity, Social and Economic Justice Webinar
 “Predictors of Adolescents’ Perceptions of Safety and Mental Health Outcomes: The Mediating Role of Perceived Safety,” January 18, 2026, Society for Social Work and Research conference, Washington, DC
 “Is Decolonizing Social Work A Lost Cause: Asking the Questions No One Wants to Answer,” January, 16, 2026, Society for Social Work and Research conference, Washington, DC
 “Our Blood Is Not Cheap”: A Photovoice Project on Being Arab in a Racialized U.S.” January, 16, 2026, Society for Social Work and Research conference, Washington, DC
 Carl A. Scott Memorial Lecture, Dr. Cassandra Simon, Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 25th, 2025, Denver, CO
 “Reimagining Trauma-informed Screening for Syrian and Afghan Refugee Youth: A Disability Justice Approach,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 24th, 2025, Denver, CO
 “Exploring Muslims' Interactions with Non-Muslims through Narrative Inquiry: Implications for Social Work Education,” Sunday, January 19, 2025, 9:45AM, Capitol Hill, Level 3 (Sheraton Grand Seattle) (Presenters: Morgan Braganza & David R Hodge), Society for Social Work and Research conference

- “Towards Integration: Unpacking the Complexities of Multidimensional Economic Integration of Refugees in the U.S,” Saturday, January 18, 2025, 4:00PM, University, Level 4 (Sheraton Grand Seattle) (Presenters: Jihye Lee et al.), Society for Social Work and Research conference
- “Profiles of Refugee-Related Trauma Exposure and Depression Among North Korean Refugees in South Korea: A Latent Class Analysis,” Saturday, January 18, 2025, Redwood A, Level 2 (Sheraton Grand Seattle) (Presenters: Mee Young Um et al.), Society for Social Work and Research conference
- “Understanding the Mental and Physical Health Consequences of the U.S. Citizenship Exam on Refugees: Implications for Practitioners and Policymakers,” Friday, January 17, 2025, 3:45PM, Issaquah B, Level 3 (Sheraton Grand Seattle) (Presenters: Ifrah Magan & Jessica Goodkind), Society for Social Work and Research conference
- “Navigating Burnout and Resilience Among Social Service Practitioners in Turbulent Political Times: Insights from Refugee Resettlement Agencies,” Friday, January 17, 2025, 8:00AM, Medina, Level 3 (Sheraton Grand Seattle) (Presenter: Eva Nyerges et al.), Society for Social Work and Research conference
- “Soccer Beyond the Field: Enhancing Life Skills for Migrant and Refugee Young Adults,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 27th, 2024, Kansas City, MO (Presenter: Dr. Megan Fabbri)
- “Indigenous Peoples' Knowledge for Environmental Justice: A Social Work Perspective from India,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 26th, 2024, Kansas City, MO (Presenter: Dr. Bipin Jojo)
- “Thank God the Apple Does Not Fall Far From the Tree: It's Time to Safeguard African American Families' Legacy,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 25th, 2024, Kansas City, MO (Presenter: Dr. Ramona Denby-Brinson)
- “Creating Accessible & Inclusive Learning Experiences,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, Howard University, January 25, 2024 (Presenter: Dr. Paris Adon)
- “Welcoming Afghan Evacuees: A National Discussion of Rapid Response, Emerging Needs, and Mechanisms of Support,” Symposium at Society for Social Work and Research conference in Phoenix, AZ, January 14, 2023 (Presenters: Patricia Shannon, Mary Bunn, Ashley Cureton, Hyojin Im, Miriam Kuttikat)
- “A Longitudinal Exploration of How Connections to Staff Facilitate Efficacy and Service Use in Drop-in Centers Serving Youth Experiencing Homelessness,” Society for Social Work and Research conference in Phoenix, AZ, January 13, 2023 (Presenters: Erin Casey, Toni Cooper, Eric Rice)

- “Steps Towards Decolonizing Social Work,” Symposium at Society for Social Work and Research conference in Phoenix, AZ, January 13, 2023 (Presenters: Dante Bryant, Dexter Voisin & Schnavia Hatcher)
- “Does Disclosure, Social Support and Religiosity Lead to HIV Stigma? Examining Bangladeshi Poor Women’s Experiences with HIV,” Society for Social Work and Research conference in Phoenix, AZ, January 12, 2023 (Presenters: Jemel Aguilar & Shirin Sultana)
- “Arab Muslim Fathers’ Experiences During the Transition to Parenthood in a Gulf Country,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), November 13, 2022, Anaheim, CA (Presenter: Mahasin Saleh)
- “Stranded: Exploring the Psychosocial Well-Being of Muslim Older Adults During the Pandemic,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), November 12, 2022, Anaheim, CA (Poster Presenters: Margaret Pittman & Taqi Tirmazi)
- “A Qualitative Study of the Muslim Perspective Toward Disability: A Case of Northern Indiana,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), November 12, 2022, Anaheim, CA (Poster Presenter: Tarek Zidan)
- “Developing an MSW Program in a Muslim Country,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), November 11, 2022, Anaheim, CA (Presenters: Mahasin Saleh & Alyaa AlMaadeed)
- “Sustaining Yemen: Ensuring Humanitarian Aid Amid Shifting Conflict Dynamics,” [Webinar] Speakers: Radhya Al-Mutawakel, Chairperson at Mwatana for Human Rights, Amanda Catanzano, Senior Director of International Programs Policy and Advocacy at International Rescue Committee, Paul Harvey, Partner of Humanitarian Outcomes, and Summer Nasser, Chief Executive Officer of Yemen Aid. Center for Strategic and International Studies, Tuesday, May 24, 2022 9:00 am - 10:00 am
- “Former Unaccompanied Children and Their Stories of Resilience,” [Webinar] Speakers: Ana Tello Duran, Gerson Navidad and Alejandra Valdez. United States Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI), April 19th, 2022, 3PM
- Lumen Circles: Belonging & Inclusive Teaching Fundamentals Fellowship, CETLA & Lumen Circles, Howard University, January – April, 2022, certificate recipients listed at: <https://lumenlearning.com/what/circles/circles-certificates/>
- “Introduction to Strategic Planning,” Shomari James, Office of Chief Strategy Officer (OCSO) Training Academy, Howard University, March 1st, 2022, 2PM – 3:30PM
- “Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research,” Completed CITI Responsible Conduct of Research Module Online, February 15, 2022
- “Researchers,” Completed CITI Basic Module Online, January 19, 2022
- “COVID-19: Back to Campus (2020-2023),” Completed CITI Basic Module Online, January 19, 2022
- “Religion Affiliation, Religiosity, and Parenting: Comparison Among Jewish, Muslim, Christian and Druze Mothers from Israel,” [Poster] Society for Social Work and Research conference in Washington, DC, January 12-16, 2022
- “Teaching Integrative Social Work Practice with Displaced Populations,” Mashkhura Akilova, Society for Social Work and Research conference in Washington, DC, January 12-16, 2022

“Identifying Strategies to Promote Trust and Overcome Barriers for Successful Research with Immigrant and Refugee Communities,” Mary Lehman Held, Society for Social Work and Research conference in Washington, DC, January 12-16, 2022

“The Influence of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Refugees 4 Years Post-Arrival in the U.S.,” Tara Leung, Society for Social Work and Research conference in Washington, DC, January 12-16, 2022

“The Impact of U.S. Immigration Policies, Rurality, and Militarization on Immigrant Families’ Access to Services in a Border Community: A Qualitative Study,” Anayeli Lopez, Society for Social Work and Research conference in Washington, DC, January 12-16, 2022

“Welcome Refugees: How to Prioritize Help to Refugees and Displaced Persons,” [Virtual] American University, Washington College of Law, November 11, 2021, 5PM-6PM

“Let’s Talk Faculty Forum: Navigating the Multi-Generational Higher Education Realities,” [Webinar: Okianer Christian Dark, Yuvay Ferguson, Morris Thomas & Tracy Whitaker], Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, Howard University, October 28, 2021, 10:30AM – 11:30AM

“Anti-Racism Virtual Summit,” [Virtual] Council on Social Work Education, Sacred Heart University, & Social Work Helper, October 26-27, 2021

“Revolutionary Work: Answering the Call During Unprecedented Times” [Presenter: Feminista Jones], October 27, 2021, 4:15PM

“Peaceful Families: American Muslim Efforts against Domestic Violence,” [Virtual] Professor Juliane Hammer, Rutgers Center for Security, Race & Rights, De-Securitizing Muslim Identities Lecture Series Center for Security, Race and Rights, October 11, 2021, 12Noon

Religion and Spirituality Summit [Virtual] Council on Social Work Education, July 12, 14, 19, 21 from 12pm to 4pm.

Macro United Conference, ACOSA, The Special Commission to Advance Macro Social Work Practice, and other co-sponsors, June 3rd, June 10th, & June 17th, 2021, Virtual

Conference [Specific sessions: Teaching Social Work Students their "ABCDs": Asset-Based Community Development; Navigating the licensure landscape for macro practice social workers; The Grand Challenges for Social Work: The Next Five Years; Creating Curriculum to Engage Students in Expanding Voter Participation; 2) Social Work and Voting Rights: Implications for Policy and Practice; The Power of Narrative

“Leading with Faith in Time of Crisis,” [Virtual Interfaith Lecture] Keynote speaker: Dr. Eboo Patel. ElHibri Foundation, April 29, 2021

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Evidence for Action Program [Webinar] Presenter: Dr. May Lynn Tan. Office of Research, Howard University. March 24th, 2021.

National Association of Social Workers - New Jersey Chapter Annual Conference, March 7-8, 2021, Virtual Conference [Specific sessions: Plenary: The Strength of Justice-involved Black Girls and Women in Spite of Adversity: Identifying Assets to Enhance Well-being; The Complicity of Social Work: Racism, White Supremacy, and the Problematicization of Immigrants; Social Workers: Where Do We Go From Here?; Melanated Social Work: Integrating a Liberation Framework into your Practice; Achieving Culturally Responsive Policy through Collective Action with Latino/a/x Communities: A Case Study and Theoretical Approach]

- “A Look Ahead at U.S. Refugee Policies,” [Webinar] Presenters: Andrew Geibel, Rebecca Kirzner, Former Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren, Elizabeth Mandelman. Hebrew Immigrant & Aid Society, February 2, 2021
- Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 19 – 22, 2021; Specific sessions: 1/20, SSWR and Washington University in St. Louis George Warren Brown School of Social Work Aaron Rosen Lecture, Dr. Michael Lindsey; 1/21, A Presidential Conversation: Advancing Your Career in Uncertain Times; 1/21, Associations between Intimate Partner and Family Violence, Mental Health Status and Suicidal Ideation Among Syrian Refugee Women in Jordan, Mukherjee, El-Bassel, Kaushal et. al; Barriers to Care: Factors Associated with Unmet Need for Mental Health Care Among Syrian Refugee Women in Jordan, Dasgupta, Mukherjee et. al; Drivers and Manifestations of Secondary Trauma Among Service Providers Working with Refugees: A Mixed Method Study from Istanbul, Turkey, Yükker, Meinhart et. al; Vicarious Post-Traumatic Growth Among Service Providers Working with Syrian Refugees in Istanbul, Brooks, Dasgupta et. al.
- “Presidential Elections Produce New Financial Planning Challenges Confirmation,” [Webinar] Presenter: Neal P. Merberg, Hebrew Immigrant & Aid Society, December 17, 2021
- “Make It Plain. A Conversation with Dr. Fauci and The Black Community,” [Webinar], Howard University, December 8, 2020
- Council on Social Work Education 66th Annual Program Meeting (APM), November 16-20, 2020. Specific sessions: 11/16, 1-2PM, Carl Scott Lecture: America the Beautiful and Violent: The Role of Social Work in Addressing Anti-Black Racism, Dr. Dexter Voisin; 11/17, 2-3PM, Disability and the Muslim Perspective, Zidan/Khaja; On-demand: Parenting Muslim Children with Mental Health Challenges, Abu-Bader/Tirmazi/Hajjaj; On-demand: Portals to Social Work: A Muslim’s Case Study for Inclusion and Equity, Hsiu-Fen Lin;
- “Mission Critical: The Evolution of U.S. Homeland Security in the 21st Century,” [Webinar] Presenters: Alan Cohn, Juliette N. Kayyem, Chappell Lawson, Christian Marrone, Doris Meissner. Migration Policy Institute, Washington, DC. November 16, 2020
- “Social Work, White Supremacy, and Racial Justice Symposium,” [Webinar] University of Houston, November 12 and 13, 2020; January 28, 2021; March 4 and 5, 2021; April 15, 2021
- “Countering Violent Extremism in Africa: The Role of Religion,” Center for African Studies, Howard University and the Jimmy Rosalyn Carter School for Peace and Conflict Resolution, George Mason University, Virtual Global Conversation, October 29 and 30, 2020
- “Reproductive Injustice: Forced Sterilization in ICE Detention,” [Webinar] Presenters: Claudia Martin, Sarah Owings, Anne Schaufele & Susana SaCouto, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, DC, September 30, 2020
- “Spirituality in Treatment: Systemic Treatment Models Bridging Faith and Mental Health Professionals,” [Webinar] Presenters: Stephen Post & Terry Hamilton, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC, September 29, 2020
- “A Bumpy Path to U.S. Citizenship: A Survey of Changing USCIS Practices,” [Webinar] Presenters: Randy Capps, Eric Cohen, Leon Rodriguez, Migration Policy Institute, Washington, DC, July 16, 2020

- "Creating and Developing an Active Online Space that Creates Interactivity between Faculty and Students -- We are All in this Together!," [Online] Presenter: Dr. Helen Bond, School of Education, Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, Howard University, July 9, 2020
- "Building Effective Online Learning Communities," [Online] Presenter: Dr. Rajni Goel, School of Business, Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, July 1, 2020
- Certification, Train the Trainer, Domestic Violence Prevention, Peaceful Families Project, Herndon, VA; New Training Cycle Starts: July 1, 2020
- "Integrating Student Feedback: One Model to Solicit, Analyze, And Engage Meaningfully in the Virtual Classroom," [Online] Presenter: Ms. Kristina Alayan, School of Law, Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, June 30, 2020
- "Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)," Certification, Online via the University of Miami, June 18, 2020 [Human Research (Curriculum Group) Group 2.SOCIAL (Course Learner Group) 2 - Refresher Course (Stage)]
- "Copyright and Fair Use - What Every Faculty Member Needs to Know," [Online] Panelist – Mr. Kyle K. Courtney, MSLIS, JD, Copyright Advisor, Harvard University, Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, June 10th, 2020
- "Public Narrative Module 2: The Empathetic Bridge," [Online] by Dr. Marshall Ganz, Harvard University, ElHibri Foundation, Washington, DC, June 9, 2020
- "How to Teach & Build Community Online," [Online] by Dr. Marshall Ganz, Harvard University, ElHibri Foundation, Washington, DC, June 2, 2020
- "Maintaining and Protecting Your Mental Health During a National Pandemic," [Online] by Dr. Kelechi C. Fluitt, Director of Outreach in the Howard University Counseling Center, Office of the Provost, Howard University, April 29, 2020
- "Longitudinal Risk Factors for Depression Among Aging Immigrants in the United States: Examining the Role of Loneliness," Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), January 18, 2020, Washington, DC. (Presenters: Zachary Morris & Sana Malik)
- "Adverse Impacts of War and Displacement on Syrian Refugee Children," Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), January 18, 2020, Washington, DC. (Presenters: Niveen Rizkalla, Laila Soudi, Suher Adi et al.)
- "Defining Social Work to Socialize a New Generation of Social Workers to End Racial and Economic Inequality," Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), January 18, 2020, Washington, DC. (Presenters: Sondra Fogel, Katharine Hill, Mark Homan et al.)
- "Student Feedback in Real Time – One Model to Solicit, Analyze, and Engage Meaningfully in the Classroom," Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), HUSSW, Howard University, November 19, 2019 (Presenter: Professor Kristina Alayan)
- "Moderating Effects of Coping on Discrimination and Social Exclusion Among African Immigrants" Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 25, 2019, Denver, CO. (Presenter: Sherinah Saasa)
- "Palestinian Children of Political Prisoners Visiting Their Fathers in Israeli Detention" Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 25, 2019, Denver, CO. (Presenter: Mahasin Saleh)
- "The Role of Contextual Factors in Supporting Psychosocial Well-Being of Syrian Refugees" Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 25, 2019, Denver, CO. (Presenter: Asli Yalim)

- “Religion and Spirituality in Graduate Social Work Education: A National Survey” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 26, 2019, Denver, CO. (Presenter: Holly Oxhandler)
- “Muslim Participation in Interfaith and Cross-Cultural Coalitions: A Commitment to Understanding” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), October 26, 2019, Denver, CO. (Presenter: Angela Kaiser)
- “Empower Today’s Students with Effective Learning Tools: Metacognition is the Key!” Saundra McGuire, Director Emerita of the Center for Academic Success and retired Assistant Vice Chancellor and Professor of Chemistry at Louisiana State University, Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), HUSSW, Howard University, October 22, 2019.
- “2019 Survey of MSA West Student Members: Perseverance in the Face of Adversity,” Webinar by the Institute for Social Policy and Understanding (ISPU), September 12, 2019
- “To Grade or Not to Grade: One Faculty Member’s Journey to Ungrading (writing, that is!)” Patricia Elam, Department of English, Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), HUSSW, Howard University, April 23, 2019.
- “The Howard University Inside Out Program -- Pedagogy, Student Outcomes and Assessment,” Dr. Bahiyyah M. Muhammad, Department of Anthropology and Sociology, Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), HUSSW, Howard University, April 9, 2019.
- “Determination of Palestinian Parents Raising Children with Disabilities,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 9, 2018, Orlando, FL (Presenter: Mahasin Saleh)
- “Religious Strengths and Challenges Among Refugees and Asylum Seekers,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 9, 2018, Orlando, FL (Co-presenters: Laurel Peacock, Stacey A. Shaw)
- “An Application of Theoretical Triangulation to Explore Gender Dynamics Among Syrian Refugees,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 9, 2018, Orlando, FL (Presenter: Asli Yalim)
- “Financial Stressors and Depression Among New Refugees: A Case of Southern US,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 9, 2018, Orlando, FL (Co-presenters: Youn Kyoung Kim, Younghee Lim, and Arati Maleku)
- “Refugee Health and Wellness: Integrating Interprofessional Education into a Social Work Curriculum,” Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting (APM), Nov 11, 2018, Orlando, FL (Presenter: Josh Hinson)
- “2018 Inabel Burns Lindsay Social Justice Lecture,” Howard University School of Social Work, October 25, 2018 (Presenter: Melanie Ghee Griffith)
- “Customer Service Training,” University-wide initiative, Howard University, October 25, 2018.
- “HUSSW PhD Program - NET TALK,” Howard University School of Social Work, October 18, 2018 (Presenter: Dr. Martell Teasley)
- “Title IX Training,” University-wide initiative, Howard University, November 2018 (Presenter: Candi Smiley)
- “How to Fully Embrace the Digital Era in Academia,” Howard University School of Social Work, October, 2018 (Presenter: 2U, Inc.).
- “GW50 Taskstream Training,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), HUSSW, Howard University, September 24, 2018

- “Voting is Social Work: Social Work’s Role in Voter Turnout,” Webinar organized by The National Social Work Voter Mobilization Campaign (Organizer: Mimi Abramovitz). July 2018.
- “Flipping the classroom,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), HUSSW, Howard University, April 23, 2018
- "Searching for my People: Racial Integration and the Black Diaspora in the American Southwest, Anthony Pratcher, II, Howard University, Department of History, April 11, 2018
- "Strategies for Managing Scholarship, Research, and Teaching Successfully,” Office of Faculty Development, Office of the Provost, Founders Library, Howard University, March 28, 2018
- "Experiential Learning: Bridging Classroom and Community," Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, March 27, 2018
- "Engaging the Muslim Charity sector: Challenges and opportunities in today's Middle East," British Council sponsored by Georgetown University, February 21, 2018, Washington, DC
- “Lifetime and Contextual Sources of Trauma that Muslim Domestic Violence Survivors Experience,” Council on Social Work Education, 63rd Annual Program Meeting, October 20, 2017, Dallas, TX
- “Teaching Twitter: Advocating for Social Justice Against the #MuslimBan and Beyond,” Council on Social Work Education, 63rd Annual Program Meeting, October 20, 2017, Dallas, TX
- “Financing Political Campaigns,” Campaign School, University of Connecticut, co-organized by HUSSW, October 5-6, 2017
- “Culturally responsive social work practice with Muslim Americans,” Aameedah Rashid, School of Social Work, Howard University, Washington, DC, April 26th, 2017
- “Color of Law: A Discussion of How the FBI Investigates Abuse of Authority,” School of Social Work, Howard University, Washington, DC, April 6th, 2017,
- “Social Worker Stand Up: Becoming Politically Savvy in Times of Political Challenges,” School of Social Work, Howard University, Washington, DC, March 22, 2017
- “Social work advocacy day on the Hill,” Congressional Research Institute for Social Policy (CRISP), Gallaudet University, March 9th, 2017
- “The Millennial student,” CETLA, at the School of Business, Yuvay J. Ferguson, Howard University, November 9, 2016
- “SAGE Research Methods Database,” School of Social Work, Howard University, November, 9, 2016
- “Refugees and race relations in Europe,” Christiane Taubira, Karamba Diaby, and Said Abdu, School of Business, Howard University, September 15, 2016
- “Information Literacy Certification,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, September 14, 2016
- “Advancing Black Feminism in Public Health: Principles for Moving Social Work and Sociology from the Margins to the Center of Public Health,” Quinn M. Gentry, Howard University, February 23, 2016, Washington, DC
- “Teaching Millennials,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning, and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, March 9, 2016, Washington, DC

“RefWorks,” School of Social Work, Howard University, February 10, 2015, Washington, DC
 “The American Community Survey and Other Sample Surveys Used in Socioeconomic Research,” Research Sequence Seminar, October 28, 2014
 “Predictors of Resiliency Among Palestinian Adolescents Living Under Occupation,” Council on Social Work Education, 60th Annual Program Meeting, October 24, 2014, Tampa, FL
 “Finding a Balance in Multiple Worlds: Muslim Youth Identity Development,” Council on Social Work Education, 60th Annual Program Meeting, October 24, 2014, Tampa, FL
 “Well Fair: A Poverty Simulation for Policy Practice,” Council on Social Work Education, 60th Annual Program Meeting, October 25, 2014, Tampa, FL
 “Getting Started with the 1410wi Epson BrightLink Pro Projector” (SR05), Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, September 2, 2014
 “Getting Started with the Epson 1410wi Certification (SR06), Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, September 2, 2014
 “Faculty Research Orientation,” Office of the Associate Provost for Research and Graduate Studies, Louis Stokes Health Sciences Library, August 20th, 2014
 “A Conversation with Anand Giridharadas on his book “The True American”, Center for American Progress, Washington, DC, April 28, 2014 [integration of immigrants; Islamophobia]
 “Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI),” Certification, Online via the University of Miami, April 25, 2014
 William T. Grant Foundation Scholars Program Webinar, March 6, 2014 [Q/A for prospective applicants]
 “Video-recording Your Lectures (VT01),” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, January 29, 2014
 “Junior Faculty Workshop: Promotion and Tenure” Office of the Provost, School of Engineering, December 6th, 2013
 “Assessing Online Course (CA12),” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, November 21, 2013
 “Blackboard Service Pack 12: What’s new in Bb?,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, August 21st, 2013
 “Briefing on Suicide Prevention and Mental Health,” the White House Office of Public Engagement and White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) in conjunction with AAPI Heritage Month and National Mental Health Awareness Month, Eisenhower Executive Office Building, Friday, May 10, 2013
 “Art Therapy and Trauma,” Tally Tripp, Direct Practice Sequence Professional Development Workshop Series, Howard University School of Social Work, Washington, DC, February 25th, 2013
 “Teaching with the EPSON Interactive Projector,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, January 30th, 2013.
 “Avoiding the Pitfalls on the Road to Reform: Issues that Must Be Addressed to Build an Effective US Immigration System,” Migration Policy Institute, Washington, DC, March 19, 2013
 “Writing Across the Curriculum, Module 3,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, December 10th, 2012 – December 15th, 2012

- “Play Back Theatre: Why Minority Populations Are Reluctant to Receive Mental Health Services,” Kimberly Rattley & Co., Direct Practice Sequence Professional Development Workshop Series, Howard University School of Social Work, Washington, DC, November 19th, 2012
- “Qualtrics: Survey research software training,” HUSSW Research Sequence, Washington, DC, November 7th, 2012
- “Junior Faculty Workshop: Grant writing,” Office of the Provost, School of Engineering, November 2nd, 2012
- “Distance Learning Certification,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, September 17th, 2012 – October 12th, 2012
- “Writing as a therapeutic tool,” Eryca Kasse, Direct Practice Sequence Professional Development Workshop Series, Howard University School of Social Work, Washington, DC, September 24th, 2012
- “Junior Faculty Workshop: Introduction of New Provost,” Office of the Provost, Browsing Room, Founder’s Library, September 7th, 2012
- “Mental Health for Muslims Workshop,” Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships Center at the Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC, August 31st, 2012
- “Blackboard Certification,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment (CETLA), Howard University, August 14th, 2012 (certified without taking courses, based on proving Blackboard expertise)
- “The Role of National Governments in Promoting Immigrant Integration,” Migration Policy Institute, Washington, DC, May 23, 2012
- “Tenure Track Workshop: Developing a Digital Portfolio and Other Topics,” Office of the Provost, Howard University School of Social Work, May 16th, 2012
- “Symposium on Religious Freedom and the Rights of Minorities in Islam,” Georgetown University School of Foreign Service Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding and Islamic Society of North America, May 14th, 2012
- “Cultural Competence as an Ethical Imperative in Clinical Social work Practice with Diverse Populations: Special Emphasis on Wounded Warriors,” Sponsored by the Department of Veteran’s Affairs, Medical Center and the Howard University School of Social Work, March 30th, 2012
- “National Science Foundation: Funding Opportunities,” Presentation by Dr. Fahmida Chowdhury, Program Director (SMA), March 1st, 2012
- “Panel of Recently Funded Scholars: Research Priorities & Capacity Building Workshop,” 16th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC, January 12th, 2012
- “Tenure Track Workshop: Perspectives of a Department Chair, APT Chair, and Dean,” Office of the Provost, Blackburn Center, Howard University, December 9th, 2011
- “Media Training: Responding to requests from the media regarding research, scholarship, and/or professional expertise,” Sponsored by the Office of the Associate Provost and the Office of University Communications, Howard University, December 8th, 2011
- “Using American Community Survey (ACS) for Research,” Trudi Renwick, Chief Poverty Statistics Branch, & Alemayehu Bishaw, ACS Analyst, Social, Economic and Housing Statistics Division, US Census Bureau, Research Sequence, HUSSW, Washington, DC, November 18th, 2011

“The Road to Research Advancement Seminar,” Dr. Thomas A. Mellman, Office of Faculty Development, College of Medicine, Howard University, November 17th, 2011
 “Across the Atlantic: Islam, the West, and the Repercussions of 9/11,” Institute for Social Policy and Understanding, Johns Hopkins University (DC Campus), November 16, 2011
 “The 2nd Annual Minerva Conference: Developing Foundational Knowledge Relevant to Present and Future Conflict,” The Minerva Initiative, Department of Defense, University of California Washington Center, September 15-16th, 2011
 “The 9/11 Generation: 9/11’s Impact on Civic Activism in the U.S. and Abroad,” Panel presentation, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C., September 13th, 2011
 “Sponsored Research Certification Program,” Office of Research Communications and Training, July 12th, 2011 (Certified through July, 2014)
 “Information Literacy Seminar: The Embedded Librarian,” Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, Howard University, June 1st, 2011
 “Responding to Natural Disasters,” Panel presentation, Brookings Institution, Project on Internal Displacement, Washington, D.C., June 1st, 2011
 “Global Diaspora Forum,” Invited delegate, Department of State and the Migration Policy Institute, Washington, D.C., May 17-19th, 2011
 “Discouraging Plagiarism” (WC12), Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, February 1st, 2011
 “Building Blackboard Courses” (BB01), Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Assessment, August 19th, 2010
 “Train the Trainer Program,” Training to present on domestic violence, Peaceful Families Project, Potomac Falls, VA, August 1-2, 2009
 “2008 and Beyond: Immigration Challenges,” 5th Annual Immigration Law and Policy Conference, Migration Policy Institute and Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc., Georgetown University School of Law, May 20, 2008
 “Muslim giving in America: Tradition, law and politics,” Conference, The American Muslim Studies Program (AMSP) at the Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding (ACMCU), Georgetown University, April 30th, 2008
 “Integration in Europe: Perspectives shared from the viewpoint of the ‘Integrated,’ Migration Policy Institute, Washington, D.C., April 29th, 2008
 “Muslim Americans in the U.S. foreign policy discourse,” The Woodrow Wilson Center’s Division of United States Studies and The Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Washington, D.C., June, 2007
 “The New Age of Mobility: Managing Migration Locally, Nationally and Internationally,” Migration Policy Institute, Washington, D.C., March 21, 2007
 Faculty Development Institute on Internationalization of the Curriculum, 52nd Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Chicago, Illinois, February 16-19, 2006
 Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Workshop, two-half day workshops on topics including 9 core areas associated with research ethics and integrity: Guidelines and Regulations, Research Misconduct, Institutional Review Board (IRB), Human and Animal Subjects, Ethical Reasoning, Conflict of Interest, Data Management, Authorship and Publication Practices, Collaborative Research, Mentorship. Howard University Graduate School, October 19-20, 2005
 “Rigorous and Relevant: Qualitative Methods and Social Work Research,” Institute for the Advancement of Social Work Research, Washington, D.C., August, 2003

- “Mental Health Services and the Muslim American Community: Cultural Considerations,”
Medical College of Ohio, Toledo, Ohio, June, 2003
- “The Price of Protection: The Budgetary Threat to Multilateral Cooperation on Refugee
Protection and Assistance,” Migration Policy Institute, Washington DC, January, 2003
- “Immigration Issues: The Social Work Response and Social Work Responsibility,” University of
the District of Columbia, September, 2002

Dissertation Committees

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| 2024-2026 | Chair, Whittni Holland, “Intimate Partner Violence, Rural Communities, and Community Support: A Qualitative Examination of Help-Seeking Strategies Among U.S. Black Women Survivor” (Dissertation defense: April 21, 2026) |
| 2024-2026 | Chair, Danica Nestor, “Examining Mental Health Help Seeking Among African American Males Utilizing Mental Health Services: A Quantitative Cross-Sectional Study,” (Dissertation defense, June 15, 2026) |
| 2024–2025 | Member, Bezil Taylor, “Bridging Gaps in Higher Education: A Qualitative Exploration of Professionals' Perspectives on Student Homelessness,” (Dissertation defense, July 30, 2025) |
| 2024-2025 | Chair, Alyaa AlMaadeed, “The Effect of Organizational Culture on Turnover Intentions and Counterproductive Work Behavior among Social Services in Qatar,” (Dissertation defense, December 1, 2025) |
| 2024-Present | Committee member, Lindsay Heaton, Proposal development in progress on refugees. Catholic University |
| 2023-2025 | Chair, Kofo Owonikoko, “Exploring The Impact Of Discrimination On The Resilience And Psychological Well-Being Of Sub-Saharan African Hijabi Women In The United States,” University of Pennsylvania, Data collection in progress. Dissertation Defense, April, 2025 |
| 2022-2024 | Chair, Ebony McCovery, “Educational Experiences Among African American Youth with ACEs: A Phenomenological Study in the Context of COVID-19” (Dissertation Defense, January 2025) |
| 2020-2022 | Committee member, Darius Gwynn, “An Examination of Coping Strategies used by Black Men with Self-Reported Depression” (Morgan State University, HUSSW MSW Alum; dissertation defense completed successfully, published August 2022) |
| 2019-2023 | Adviser, theorist/content area expert, Barbara Evans-Kwamla, “Working Title: Returning Home; Exploring acculturative stress and other factors related to the voluntary outmigration of 1.5 generation Ghanaian nationals |

in the United States” (Proposal defended April 2021; Successful dissertation defense, July 11, 2023).

- 2017- 2021 Adviser, Luisa (Suarez) Pinto, “Working Title: The Effects of Resilience on the High School Graduation Among Latino Students” [Student withdrew January from the program, January 2021]

- 2017-2020 Adviser, Alice Kersey, “The War Within:” Risk Factors Associated with Military Sexual Assault Among Black Female Veterans.” [Student transferred to a different adviser, Spring 2020; was dismissed Fall 2021]

- 2014-2021 Theorist/Content area expert, Crystal Kominar, a doctoral student at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology, “Religious Identity of Moroccan and Turkish young adults in Netherlands” (working title); proposal under development Fall 2014; Research in progress as of Fall 2016; Successful defense occurred May 7, 2020; final dissertation manuscript review completed May 14, 2021

- 2016-2017 Theorist/Content area expert, Charles Chukwuani, “An Exploration Of The Well-Being Experiences Of Igbo Immigrants Through The Investigation Of Their Adaptation And Coping Strategies”. Dissertation defense completed: Spring 2017

- 2013-2016 Methodologist, Jessica Pryce, “An Examination of Race and Title IV-E Training on Organizational Commitment in Public Child Welfare”. Dissertation defense completed: Spring 2016

- 2013-2015 Theorist/Area expert, Madiha Tahseen, a doctoral student at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, “Pieces of the puzzle: A multidimensional approach to collective identity development among Muslim-American adolescents”. Dissertation defense completed: Spring 2015

- 2013- 2014 Theorist/Area expert, Radi Abouelhassan, a doctoral student at the University of New Mexico; working title is “Funds of Knowledge-based Assessment for ESL adolescents: Muslim ESL students in a Charter School, a Case Study.” (Dissertation defense completed: Spring 2014)

- 2012- 2014 Theorist/Area expert, Judith Imoite (student), a doctoral student in the School of Education, “Acclimatization and Assimilation: Exploring the experiences of immigrant teachers in DC metropolitan area public schools.” (Dissertation defense completed: Spring 2014)

- 2011- 2013 Methodologist, Paulette Hubbert (student), working proposal title, “Intimate Partner Violence Within The U.S. Marine Corps: Predictors Of Type Of Abuse Within A Cultural Context” (Dissertation defense completed: Fall 2013)

Methodologist, Akosoa McFadgion (student), working dissertation title, “Intimate Partner Violence and Probable Traumatic Brain Injury: Manifestations in the Lives of Abused Women” (Dissertation defense completed: Fall 2013)

University Service

2024-Present	Member, Hilltop Architects – Maximum Strength Strategic Planning group
2020-2024	Member, Faculty Grievance Commission, Faculty Senate
2020-2022	Member, Reopening Task Force (Meeting Norms Subgroup)
2019-2020	Lead Evaluator, Program Prioritization Evaluation Team, Program Prioritization Task Force, Appointed by the Office of the Provost
2017-2023	Member, Program Prioritization Task Force; Appointed by University President;
2017-Present	Member, Center for African Studies Advisory Board, Howard University
2014-2016	Member, Middle States Periodic Review Report Task Force; Appointed by University President;
2013-2014	Member, Research Day 2014 Committee, Office of the Provost (also on Faculty Sub-Committee, to review abstracts and select oral/poster presentations)
2013	Facilitator, “Tolerance and interfaith dialogue in the U.S. (English/French)”: A Regional Project for Africa, under the auspices of the Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program, Carnegie Building, Office of the Dean of the Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel, January 28 th , 2013
2012	Respondent/MC, Faith & Ethics in the Workplace Interfaith Discussion, Ambassador Ebrahim Rasool, South African Ambassador to the U.S., Office of the Dean of the Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel, School of Social Work Auditorium, November 14 th , 2012.
2010-Present	Member, Interfaith Advisory Council, Office of the Dean of the Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel
2010	Participant, “Together we stand, A moment of silence and unity,” Spiritual and Ethical Dimensions of Leadership Initiative, Office of the Dean of the Chapel, September 22, 2010
2004-2008	Secretary, Botswana Study Group at Howard University, to assist with establishing the Botswana International University for Science and Technology

Howard University School of Social Work -- Service

2022 – Jan 2025	Chair, Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee [elected]
2022 – Jan 2025	Member, Awards/Recognition Ceremony Program (announce students receiving special recognition & graduates)
2021 – Present	Member, Curriculum Committee
2021 – 2022	Faculty Lead, Howard University Social Work Social Justice Fellowship (HUSWJ)
2020 – 2021	Member, Executive Committee
2019 – 2020	Faculty Mentor, Founders Fellowship, Ms. Tru’Lesia Newberry, final project: “Making the Immigration System More Responsive to African Asylum Seekers: The Transformative Role of Black Social Workers”
2019 – Present	Secretary, Appointment, Promotion and Tenure (APT) Committee [elected]

2019 – 2020	Member, Executive Committee
2018 – 2019	Member, Executive Committee
2018 – 2019	Member, Doctoral Committee
2018	Respondent, “2018 Inabel Burns Lindsay Social Justice Lecture,” Howard University School of Social Work, October 25, 2018 (Response to Lecture by Melanie Ghee Griffith)
2017	Moderator, “Social Worker Stand Up: Becoming Politically Savvy in Times of Political Challenges,” School of Social Work, Howard University, Washington, DC, March 22, 2017
2018 – 2020	Member, Self-Study Report Committee
2016 - 2021	Chair, Curriculum Committee (Appointed by Dean)
2015 – Present	Chapter Adviser, Eta Chapter of the Phi Alpha Honor Society
2014 - Present	Member, Doctoral Program Committee (Appointed by Dean)
2014	Member, Organizing/Hosting committee, Network for Social Work Management annual conference June 2015 (Appointed by Dean)
2014 - 2022	Member, Awards/Recognition Ceremony Program (announce all MSW grads)
2014	Judge, Urgency of Now Essay/Poetry Contest (January)
2013 – Present	Member, Assessment & Outcomes Committee
2013 - Present	Chair, Community, Administration & Policy Practice Concentration
2013 - Present	Co-Chair, Human Behavior and the Social Environment Sequence
2013 - 2016	Member, Curriculum Committee
2013 - Present	Member, Field Education Advisory Committee
2013 - 2014	Dean’s Representative, Conference Organizing Committee, Social Justice conference co-organized by HUSSW and NASW-DC (March 28 th , 2014; raised \$2,900 from other HU departments to support the conference)
2013 – 2014	Member, Executive Committee
2013 – 2014	Member, Faculty Search Committee
2012 - 2016	Coordinator, Writing Matters campaign for HUSSW (resulted in “1 st Place” designation for faculty participation in 2012, 2013)
2012 - Present	Presenter, Academic Success Lab, “Academic and Professional Writing,” HUSSW Orientation
2012 – 2013	Co-chair (elected), Executive Committee
2012 - 2013	Member, Professional Development Committee
2012 - 2013	Member, Community Administration and Policy Practice Sequence
2012 – 2013	Member, Student Review Committee
2011- 2017	Member, HUSSW Sub-committee to explore a joint MSW/MDiv degree
2011-2012	Member, Curriculum Committee
2011-2012	Co-chair, Human Behavior and the Social Environment Sequence
2011-2012	Member, Assessment Committee
2011	Moderator, “Changing conceptions of human rights,” Human rights – Global Perspective conference, sponsored by Howard University School of Social Work E. Franklin Frazier Center for Social Work Research & Marquette University Department of History, September 30-October 1, 2011
2010-2014	Executive Committee
2010-2014	Member, Research Sequence Committee
2010-2013	Member, Human Behavior and the Social Environment Sequence Committee

2010-2011	Chair, Professional Development Committee
2010-2011	Faculty Secretary
2010-2012	Member, Self-Study Committee for the Reaffirmation of HUSSW Accreditation
2000	Member, Committee for the Inauguration of the E. Franklin Frazier Center for Social Work Research (Summer/Fall 2000)
1999-2000	Doctoral Student Representative, Howard University School of Social Work, Doctoral Program Committee
1998-1999	Doctoral Student Representative, Howard University School of Social Work, Curriculum Committee

Service to the Profession

2023 - Present	Secretary/Treasurer (founding), Special Commission to Advance Macro Social Work [Managed complete process to incorporate as 501c3 & achieve tax exemption status)
2024 – Present	Reviewer, Russell Sage Foundation grant applications
2025	Reviewer, Book proposal to Springer Publishing
2023	Reviewer, <i>Children and Youth Services Review</i>
2023 - Present	Reviewer, <i>Spirituality in Clinical Practice</i>
2022 – Present	Mentor, Coffee with a Scholar Program, Society for Social Work and Research
2022	Reviewer, <i>Families in Society</i>
2022	Reviewer, <i>Children and Youth Services Review</i>
2021	Reviewer, <i>Social Work in Public Health</i>
2020 -- 2023	Member, National Association of Social Workers (NASW) National Ethics Committee (NEC); three-year term
2020 - Present	Associate Editor, <i>Mental Health, Religion & Culture</i> , Taylor & Francis journal; appointed August, 2020 (https://www.tandfonline.com/action/journalInformation?show=editorialBoard&journalCode=cmhr20)
2020	Invited Reviewer, National Science Foundation, Developmental Sciences Program (one proposal reviewed, September, 2020)
2020	Registered Reviewer, The Office of Family Assistance (OFA), Agency for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services (June, 2020)
2020	Reviewer, <i>Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment</i>
2019 - Present	Co-Lead, Intersection of Religion and Spirituality with Social Work Education Planning Committee, Council on Social Work Education
2018 - Present	Mentor, Minority Fellowship Program-Youth (MSW Students), Council on Social Work Education
2018 – Present	Diversity Sub-Group, Membership Committee, Society for Social Work Education
2017 - 2022	Founder and Co-chair, Immigrants and Refugees cluster, Society for Social Work and Research (Co-Chair: David Becerra, Arizona State University)
2017 – 2024	Member, Macro Licensing Subcommittee, Special Commission for the Advancement of Macro Social Work Practice
2015 - Present	Member, Editorial Board, <i>Journal of Religion and Spirituality in Social Work</i>

2013 - 2023	Member, Special Commission to the Advance Macro-Practice in Social Work (2013-2104: work groups on Faculty and Student Issues; Promotion and Public Support of Macro Leaders and Practitioners)
2013 - Present	Member, Peer-review board, <i>Journal of Adolescent and Family Health</i>
2018 - Present	Chair, Islam and Muslims Track, Council on Social Work Education
2018	Reviewer, <i>International Social Work</i> , reviewed one manuscript 9/2018
2018	Moderator, "Social Support & Resilience: U.S. & International Perspectives," Society for Social Work and Research Conference, Washington, DC, Sunday, January 14, 2018
2015-2017	Guest Editor, <i>Journal of Religion and Spirituality in Social Work</i> , double issue
2014-2017	Consulting editor, <i>Social Work</i> (NASW Journal)
2014	Reviewer, <i>International Social Work</i> , abstract review (27), forthcoming special issue on Islam and Social Work
2014	Convener, Special Interest Group Meeting, Social Work and Research with Muslims, Society for Social Work and Research, 18 th Annual Conference, January, San Antonio, TX
2014-2017	Work Group Leader, Special Commission to the Advance Macro-Practice in Social Work; work group on Faculty and Student Issues
2013-2017	Co-chair, Race, Ethnicity and Immigration cluster, Society for Social Work and Research (Co-Chair: Michael Spencer, University of Michigan)
2013	Participant, Meeting to finalize the "Think Adolescent Health," national agenda document, Office of Adolescent Health, August, Bethesda, MD
2013	Convener, Special Interest Group Meeting, Social Work and Research with Muslims, Society for Social Work and Research, 17 th Annual Conference, January, San Diego, CA.
2012	Chair, Islam, and Muslims Track – Oral/Paper Session, 58 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Washington, DC
2012	Chair, Immigrants, Refugees & Displaced Populations Track – Oral/Paper Session, 58 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Washington, DC
2012	Research proposal evaluator, The Rovert H. Arnow Center for Bedouin Studies and Development, Ben Gurion University of the Negev
2012	Abstract Reviewer, 58 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education
2011	Abstract Reviewer, 57 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education
2011 - Present	Founding Member, CSWE Religion and Spirituality Work Group
2010 - 2018	Co-Chair, Islam and Muslims Track, Council on Social Work Education
2010 – Present	Manuscript Reviewer, <i>Journal of Muslim Mental Health</i>
2010	Reviewer, Book Proposal, Columbia University Press
2010	Abstract Reviewer, 56 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education
2009	Co-editor, <i>Journal of Muslim Mental Health</i> , thematic issue on refugees (expected February 2010)
2009	Chair, International Issues Track – Oral/Paper Session, 55 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, October, 2009, San Antonio, TX

2009	Abstract Reviewer, 55 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education
2008	Chair, Disaster and Traumatic Stress Track - Oral/Paper Session, 54 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education, Philadelphia, PA, November 1 st
2008	Guest Reviewer, <i>Journal of Muslim Mental Health</i> , focus on religiosity and Muslim American youth
2008	Guest Visitor, Integration and Diversity Program, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Hague, The Netherlands, June, 2008,
2008	Abstract Reviewer, 54 th Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education
2008	Chair, "Panel on Relief and Welfare," at the "Muslim giving in America: Tradition, law and politics," conference, The American Muslim Studies Program (AMSP) at the Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding (ACMCU), Georgetown University, April 30 th , 2008
2007	Abstract Reviewer, 53 rd Annual Program Meeting, Council on Social Work Education
2006	Guest Reviewer, <i>Arete</i> , special issue "Spirituality in Social Work," University of South Carolina College of Social Work
2006-2010	Co-founder & assistant to co-chairs, Islam & Muslims Symposium CSWE APM
2006	Abstract Reviewer, 52 nd Annual Program Meeting, CSWE APM
1999-2003	Student Volunteer, Annual Program Meeting, CSWE APM

Community Service

2024-Present	President, National Association of Muslims in Social Work
2016-Present	Member, Board of Directors, The Conscious Kid Library, San Diego, CA
2016-Present	Vice President, Yaqeen Institute for Islamic Research (Dallas, TX)
2017-2023	Fundraising Chair, Troop 1576, Boy Scouts of America, Sterling, VA
2017-2022	Board member, Millions of Conversations (formerly American Muslims for Prosperity Action Fund)
2016-2018	Chair, Strategic Reorganizing and Planning Committee, ISNA
2014-2018	Vice President – US, Islamic Society of North America (2 2yr terms)
2014-2019	Member, Board of Directors, Muslim Students Association - National
2013-2014	Member, Research Advisory Team, Study on Divorce Prevention and Assessment of Marriage Needs, Institute for Social Policy and Understanding
2010-Present	Member, Board of Advisers, Peaceful Families Project (domestic violence awareness and prevention), Great Falls, Virginia
2010-Present	Lay Spiritual Leader/Chaplain, Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts Troop #1576
2010-2016	Co-chair, Inclusion and Access Committee, All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS Center), Sterling, VA
2008-2014	Member, Board of Trustees, Islamic Society of North America (re-elected 9/12)
2008-2014	Chair, Islamic Society of North America Leadership Development Committee

2007-2014	Faculty member (voluntary), COMPASS – state of the art management training program of the Muslim Students Association - National
2008-2010	Founding Vice President, Board of Directors, Peaceful Families Project (domestic violence awareness and prevention), Great Falls, Virginia
2004-2008	Member, Board of Advisers, Muslim Students Association - National
2005-2007	Member, Board of Trustees, Education for Life, Falls Church, VA
2000-2006	Founding Board Member, Islamic Social Services Association (US/Canada)
2001-2010	Executive Committee (Diwan) Member, Muslim Alliance in North America
2003-2004	Ex-officio Officer, Muslim Students Association of the USA and Canada
1999-2003	President, Muslim Students Association of the USA and Canada
1999-2003	Board Member, Governing Board, Islamic Society of North America
1997-1999	Vice-President (USA), Muslim Students Association of the USA and Canada

Professional Experience prior to Faculty Appointment in August 2010

October, 2007 – August, 2012 Howard University Washington, DC
Executive Assistant for Academic Affairs, Office of the Provost & Chief Academic Officer

- Provide senior level, confidential, executive administrative assistance to the Provost and three Associate Provosts
- Facilitate, coordinate, and monitor academic programs and policies, including program review and program assessment
- Utilize higher-level decision-making abilities and discernment to act proactively on behalf of the Provost when appropriate
- Receive and screen all communications for the Provost, handle and respond to routine communication, answer questions and /or correspondence not requiring the attention of the Provost, refer university and external personnel to the appropriate source for information as necessary, ensuring effective communication in a timely manner
- Identify and track the resolution of sensitive matters dealing with academic administrators and faculty members, including matters of appointment, promotion and tenure and other grievances
- Develop correspondence and facilitate communication on confidential matters with senior level officials such as Board members, the President, Cabinet Officers, and Deans

October, 2003 – September, 2007 Howard University Washington, DC
Special Assistant to the Provost, Office of the Provost & Chief Academic Officer

- Assisted with the management of the Provost's time by ensuring that issues were triaged to Associate Provosts for resolution where possible/optimal
- Screened correspondence and inquiries and independently respond to, or reroute these to other staff members or Deans where appropriate
- Assisted with the preparedness of the Provost for meetings, events and trips

2001 – 2003 Howard University School of Social Work Washington, DC
Graduate Assistant to the Dean

- Assisted with the management of the Dean's time by ensuring that issues were triaged to the Associate and Assistant Deans and other professional staff for resolution where possible/optimal
- Assisted with the preparedness of the Dean for meetings, events, and trips
- Drafted correspondence, speeches and remarks
- Assisted with preparation for and/or co-teaching of Displaced Populations courses
- Conducted literature reviews, developed annotated bibliographies

2000 – 2001 Howard University School of Social Work **Washington, DC**
Research Assistant, E. Franklin Frazier Center for Social Work Research

- Assisted in the setting up/launching of the Center
- Responsible for the coordination of research projects in the E. Franklin Frazier Center for Social Work Research
- Liaison to faculty to assist them with proposal development/grant writing

1998 – 2000 Howard University School of Social Work **Washington, DC**
Graduate Assistant

- Assisted with literature searches for faculty publications in progress
- Co-authored three publications with faculty mentor and Dean

1997 – January 1998 Islamic Society of North America **Indianapolis, IN**
Assistant Director, ISNA Development Foundation and Special Projects Division

- led efforts to conduct comprehensive evaluation of organization at all levels
- planned and coordinated donor luncheon resulting in over \$600,000 in cash and pledges
- wrote proposal, convinced single donor to give 40% more for internship program
- recruited, selected, and supervised 14 university students as interns
- managed departmental operations during Director's 3-month overseas field visit
- established comprehensive database to monitor and track donor giving patterns
- designed, coordinated, and implemented Annual Giving Program
- assisted Director in domestic fundraising efforts
- coordinated Planned Giving Program, Auto. Withdrawal Program, and Donor relations
- coordinate Internship Program

1994-1996 Faculty of Economics and Management (IIUM), Research Team
Research Assistant to the Dean (Chair of Team)

- specialized on Islam/OB/OD as related to State Econ. Dev't Corporations (SEDC)
- designed questionnaires to be completed by Human Resource (HR) officers
- visited/interviewed HR officers of every SEDC nation-wide
- forwarded observations on level of Islamic consciousness among management
- submitted final recommendations to Team

1994-1996 Int'l Institute of Islamic Thought Malaysia (IIITM) **Kuala Lumpur**
Project Manager, American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences (AJISS)

- supervised printing and distribution of AJISS in Asia
- developed marketing strategies to solicit subscriptions
- designed forms, mailing lists, and completed database of subscribers in Asia
- served as liaison with Editorial Assistant of AJISS in U.S.
- communicated with IIIT offices and distribution sites in Asia

1995-1996 Management Training and Programs Division, IIITM **Kuala Lumpur**
Coordinator for Management Training and Programs

- served concurrently as Project Manager of AJISS – American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences
- structured and implemented managements training programs for students from Malaysia and international students
- introduced time-efficient program schedules with cost-effective budget
- managed team of student volunteers/part-time assistants
- conducted training seminars/workshops in Singapore, Malaysia, and Philippines

- supervised Editorial Staff and entire production/distribution of IIITM newsletter
- initiated culture of teamwork and positive work attitudes under stress
- assisted in improving cross-cultural communication in entire office
- communicated effectively in Malay national language in course of duties

1993-1994 Center for Practice Innovations (CWRU)

Cleveland, OH

Graduate Assistant

- assisted in data entry/coding of research statistics/data
- provided software assistance and support to seven faculty members at MSASS
- created mailing list on FileMaker Pro of over 2,000 nationwide social service agencies

1992-1994 Office of Student Affairs (CWRU)

Cleveland, OH

Leadership Development Officer for Undergraduates

- designed, planned, and implemented training programs for all undergraduates
- assisted in the planning and creation of the first Residence Hall Association (RHA)
- promoted leadership development opportunities for residence hall staff, student councils, and undergraduate students campus-wide
- maintained weekly contact with representatives from seventeen residence halls
- represented CWRU at regional and national conferences of RHAs

1992-1994 Senior Outreach Services (SOS)

Fairfax, OH

Graduate Intern (community-based health/social service agency)

- specialized in gaining government and foundation grant support
- counseled elderly African Americans
- researched and introduced plan for assessment and redesign of agency
- provided valuable recommendations for improving strategy, recruiting active Board members, and upgrading office technology
- instrumental in seeking grants to relocate agency and upgrade equipment
- solely responsible for \$35,000 grant to develop health promotions program
- managed volunteers, developed human relations skills, worked with diverse population

1991-1994 Office of Student Affairs (CWRU)

Cleveland, OH

Resident Director of Alumni House

- counseled and provided resources for students with social, academic, and personal concerns, including initial crisis intervention (suicide, drug abuse, etc.)
- managed undergraduate residence hall of 96 students
- supervised, coordinated and created programming with 2 resident assistants

Media Interviews, Appearances

Appeared as a panelist on WHUR 96.3FM & HUR Voices SiriusXM 141 (Howard University Radio Network), The Daily Drum Radio Show, March 18th, 2022

Appeared as a panelist on discussions of independent films screened by WHUT:

February 10, 2022: “Missing in Brooks County” – Film focused on the human rights work of Mr. Eddie Canales of the South Texas Human Rights Center, assisting asylum seekers at the southern border.

May 27, 2021: “The Donut King” – Cambodian refugee in Los Angeles, who built a massive fortune and assisted hundreds of families through his donut business

Accessible at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Qvq2dvz_7A

Op-eds appeared in CNN (online), Common Ground News Service and the Huffington Post.

Interviewed by print publications such as the *Washington Post*, the *Washington Times*, the *New York Times*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Dallas Morning News*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *Rolling Stones Magazine* and the *Wall Street Journal*.

Interviewed by radio and television outlets such as Detroit Public Radio (WDET), CBS News, WHUR (during Social Work month 2014, then again in March, 2022), and Radio Netherlands.

The Craig Fahle Show. (9/10/12). The 2012 presidential elections; the impact of 9/11 on Muslim Americans. Detroit Public Radio. Available at:

<http://wdet.org/shows/craig-fahle-show/episode/muslim-vote/#>

Radio Netherlands, Interview on Reflections as a Guest of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs’ Program on Integration in the Netherlands, June 8-11, 2008. Available at:

<http://static.rnw.nl/migratie/www.radionetherlands.nl/currentaffairs/region/netherlands/080711-Dutch-Americans-redirected>

Honors, Awards & Certificates

- 2025 Social Work Impact Award by the Public Health Social Work (PHSW) Division of the American Public Health Association (APHA), November 3, 2025, Washington, DC.
- 2023 “Lifetime Achievement Award,” in “honor of your unwavering dedication and commitment to the Muslim community,” from the Muslim Students Association of the United States and Canada at the 60th Anniversary Gala, Houston, TX, September 23, 2023
- 2022 “Lifetime Achievement Award,” in “recognition of outstanding contribution, commitment and dedication to the Islamic work and leadership,” from the Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA) at the 47th Annual Convention, Baltimore, MD, May 29, 2022
- 2022 “Lumen Circles Certificate of Effective Teaching Practice,” completion of the Belonging & Inclusive Teaching Fundamentals Fellowship Program, Spring 2022 (certificate recipients listed at: <https://lumenlearning.com/what/circles/circles-certificates/>)
- 2022 CITI completion of these modules: COI, Covid-19, Info Privacy Security, and Social Behavioral Responsible Code of Conduct
- 2021 “Certificate of Attendance,” NASW-NJ Chapter Annual Conference, March 7-8, 2021
- 2021 “Distinguished Service Award,” by the Office of Provost & Chief Academic Officer, Program Prioritization Task Force, Howard University
- 2020 “Bunsen Burner Award,” Awarded by Dean Sandra Edmonds Crewe, April Faculty Mtg
- 2020 “Society for Social Work & Research Fellow,” inducted January 18 (Washington, DC)
- 2018 “Certificate of Recognition,” Contributions to the doctoral program, HUSSW
- 2017 “Certificate of Recognition,” Contributions to the doctoral program, HUSSW
- 2016 “CAP Practice Faculty of the Year,” - Selected by HUSSW graduating students & SCA
- 2015 “Social Work Educator of the Year,” – DC Chapter, National Association of Social Workers
- 2015 “CAP Practice Faculty of the Year,” - Selected by HUSSW graduating students & SCA
- 2015 “High Academic Achievement,” Promotion to Associate Professor with Tenure, IIIT, VA

- 2014 “CAP Practice Faculty of the Year,” - Selected by HUSSW graduating students & SCA
- 2012 Recognition for teaching and service – Selected by HUSSW graduating students & SCA
- 2008 Dean’s List, 4.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average in the Doctoral Program
- 1999 First Place, Graduate Research Symposium, Howard University
- 1993 De Graff Scholarship for "commitment to education and human services"
- 1992 Award for Excellence, Office of Student Affairs, CWRU
- 1991 CWRU President’s Award: ‘responsible and unselfish use of talent and leadership’
- 1991 Outstanding Achievement Award (Int’l Interests Committee - 1st Int’l Sports Week)
- 1991 Outstanding Resident Assistant Award (3 years of distinguished service)

Professional Memberships

Member	Association for Community Organization and Social Administration
Member	Council on Social Work Education
Member	National Association of Social Workers
Member	Society for Social Work Research
Member	Society for Spirituality and Social Work