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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2020-present Assistant Professor, Social Work, Miami University, Oxford OH

2016-2019 Adjunct Instructor, Social Work, University at Albany State University of NY, Albany NY

FACULTY AND RESEARCH CENTER AFFILIATIONS

2021-present Department of Global & Intercultural Studies- Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Program, Miami University

2021-present Center for LGBTQ+ Research & Advocacy, University of Kansas School of Social Welfare

2020-present Queer Social Work Research Lab, Miami University

EDUCATION

2019 University at Albany, School of Social Welfare
Albany, NY
Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work
Dissertation Title: Gender Journeys: Participatory Action Research with Non-Binary Young Adults
Chair: Loretta Pyles, *Committee:* Heather Horton & Christine Bozlak

2014 University at Albany, School of Social Welfare
Albany, NY
Master of Social Work

2012 Empire State College
Saratoga Springs, NY
Bachelor of Arts, Human Services

TEACHING INTERESTS

Critical social work practice and theory, research methodology, community organizing, transformative justice, sexuality and gender.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Miami University, Department of Family Science and Social Work

FSW 613: Ethics, Professionalism, and Self-Care (Graduate)
FSW 304: Professionalism and Ethics for Practice (Undergraduate)

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University at Albany, School of Social Welfare

RSSW 210: Social Welfare in the US (Undergraduate)

RSSW 621: Micro Practice in Social Work II (Graduate)

RSSW 773: Sexuality and Gender in Social Work, Co-Instructor (Graduate)

University at Albany, School of Public Health

HPM 620: Health Disparities and Vulnerable Populations (Graduate)

Selected Lectures

Guest Lecturer. (2020). Participatory Action Research: A Tool for Community Organizing, Action and Knowledge Production. University at Albany, School of Social Welfare, RSSW 630: Macro Practice I, Albany, NY.

Guest Lecturer. (2019). Challenges and Supports in Conducting Participatory Action Research. University at Albany, School of Social Welfare, RSSW 705: Action Research, *Cross-departmental Doctoral Course*, Albany, NY.

Guest Lecturer. (2016). Gender and Sexual Diversity. University at Albany, School of Social Welfare, RSSW 610: Human Behavior in the Social Environment I, Albany, NY.

Guest Lecturer. (2016). Introduction to Participatory Action Research. University at Albany, School of Social Welfare, RSSW 862: Research Methods- Doctoral Proseminar, Albany, NY.

Guest Lecturer. (2016). Introduction to Youth Participatory Action Research. University at Albany, School of Public Health, HPM 250: Introduction to Maternal and Child Health, Rensselaer, NY.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Gender and sexuality, adolescence development, sexual health and education, service/program evaluation, participatory action research, qualitative methodologies

Active Research

Community Belonging: Support and stigma among nonbinary young adults

Multi-state participatory action research study using photovoice to explore nonbinary participant-researchers' experiences.

Photovoice as a Tool for Gender Affirmation and Peer Connectedness

Evaluation of the impact photovoice methodology has on a group of nonbinary participants' sense of self-affirmation and community belonging.

Exploring Service Providers' Attitudes and Willingness to Support Nonbinary Gender-affirmation

Mixed-method study examining "LGBTQ-affirming" mental health providers' service to nonbinary clients.

Arts-based Research for Liberatory Praxis

Development of an arts-based collaborative autoethnographic methodology for critical and transformative knowledge production

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed

1. **Cosgrove, D.** & Pyles, L. (*under review*). Holistic Engagement and White Neoliberal Social Work: Resistance or Accommodation? *Qualitative Social Work*.
2. Kinney, K. & **Cosgrove, D.** (*under review*). “Truly Listen to Us”: Recommendations for Health Professionals to Bolster Wellbeing of Nonbinary Individuals. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*.
3. **Cosgrove, D.**, Simpson, F., Dreslinski, N. & Kihm, T. (*in press*). Photovoice as a Transformative Methodology for Nonbinary Young Adults. *Journal of LGBT Youth*.
4. Kramer, C., **Cosgrove, D.**, & DeChants, J. (*in press*). Looking Back to Look Forward: A Collaborative Autoethnographic Study of the Effects of Neoliberalism on Social Work Practice, Education and Research. *Critical and Radical Social Work*.
5. Pyles, L., **Cosgrove, D.**, Adam, G. & Raheim, S. (2021). "Could we just breathe for 30 seconds?": Social worker experiences of Holistic Engagement Practice Training. *Social Work*.
6. Kramer, C., **Cosgrove, D.**, Mountz, S. & Lee, E. (2021). Finding a Place for My Research to Belong: Experiences of early-career social work participatory action researchers in neoliberal academia. *Critical and Radical Social Work*. (9)2, 269-287. <https://doi.org/10.1332/204986020X16031175005938>
7. **Cosgrove, D.** (2021). “I am allowed to be myself”: A photovoice exploration of non-binary identity development and meaning-making. *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Social Services*. (33)1, 78-102. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10538720.2020.1850385>.
8. **Cosgrove, D.**, Bozlak, C. & Reid, P. (2021). Service Barriers for Gender non-binary Young Adults: Using photovoice to understand support and stigma. *Affilia*. 36(2), 220–239. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0886109920944535>.
9. **Cosgrove, D.**, Kramer, C. S., Mountz, S., & Lee, E. (2020). The Role of Identity in Motivating and Shaping the Experiences of Social Work Participatory Action Research Scholars. *Affilia*, 35(4), 552–571. <https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0886109920913331>.

Book Chapters

1. Lev, A., **Cosgrove, D.**, & Crumley, T. (2018). Psychotherapy and Support for Transgender Clients. In Adler, R. K., Hirsch, S., & Pickering, J. (Eds.), *Voice and Communication Therapy for Transgender/Transsexual Client: A comprehensive guide*. San Diego, CA: Plural Publishing.

Publications in Preparation for Peer-Review

1. **Cosgrove, C.**, Colacchio Wesley, B., Levin, D. & Christensen, C. Arts-Based Research as a Tool for Liberatory Social Work Praxis.
2. Ratliff, A. & **Cosgrove, D.** Discretionary Power Enacted by Parents, Teachers, and Adult Authority Figures as a Mechanism for Violence Against Transgender and Nonbinary Children, Adolescents, and Young Adults
3. Ratliff, A., **Cosgrove, D.**, Lightfoot, M.L., Adams, S.A., Lund, I., Auerswald, C.A. Ethics in Youth Participatory Action Research with Marginalized Young people: Lessons learned from a study with young people experiencing homelessness

4. Kinney, K., **Cosgrove, D.** & Ratliff, A. Improving services for nonbinary clients: Exploring what it means to be “LGBTQ-affirming.”

PRESENTATIONS

National and International Refereed Presentations

- Cosgrove, D.**, Colacchio, B., Levin, D., Christensen, C. & Gerstenblatt, P. (2022, May). Arts-Based Research as Liberatory Praxis. Society of Social Work Research, Virtual. [round table]
- Kramer, C., **Cosgrove, D.** & DeChants, J. (2022, Jan). Looking Back to Look Forward: A Collaborative Autoethnographic Study of the Effects of Neoliberalism on Social Work Practice, Education and Research. Society of Social Work Research, Washington, D.C. [poster]
- Cosgrove, D.** & Kinney, K. (2021, November). Improving services for nonbinary clients: Exploring what it means to be “LGBTQ-affirming.” Council on Social Work Education, Orlando FL. [research presentation]
- Cosgrove, D.** & Kinney, K. (2021, June). Photovoice as a Tool for Nonbinary Identity Exploration, Community Change, and Wellbeing. LGBTQ Research Symposium, University of Kansas School of Social Welfare, Virtual.
- Cosgrove, D. (2021, January). Exploring Service Barriers with Non-Binary Young Adults: Using Arts-Based Participatory Action Research for Change. Society of Social Work Research, Virtual. [poster]
- Paez, J., Harrop, E., **Cosgrove, D.** & Beltran, R. (2021, January). A Picture Is Worth a Thousand Pie Charts: The Use of Arts-Based Methods to Enhance Qualitative Rigor, Participant Engagement, and Community Dissemination. Society of Social Work Research, Virtual. [round table]
- Cosgrove, D.** & Kramer, C. (2021, January). A Phenomenological Analysis of Facilitators and Barriers Faced by Early Career Social Work Scholars Using Participatory Action Research. Society of Social Work Research, Virtual. [poster]
- Kramer, C., **Cosgrove, D.**, Christensen, C., DeChants, J. & Jordan, S. (2021, January). Queer Experiences with Participatory Action Research: Early Career Scholars: Reflections on the Intersection of Identity and Methodology. Society of Social Work Research, Virtual. [round table]
- Kramer, C., **Cosgrove, D.**, Bhattacharya, A., Velez-Grau, C. & Camacho, D. (2020, January). Navigating an Integrated Personal and Scholarly Identity: Experiences of Participatory Action Research Scholars of Color. Society of Social Work Research, Washington DC.
- Cosgrove, D.** & Kramer, C. (2019, October). Returning to Our Roots: Promoting participatory action research in social work. Council on Social Work Education, Denver CO. [poster presentation]
- Cosgrove, D.** & Kramer, C. (2019, May). Facilitators and Barriers Faced by Early-Career Social Work Scholars Using Participatory Action Research. International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Urbana, IL.
- Kramer, C. & **Cosgrove, D.** (2019, May). The Role of Identity in Motivating and Shaping the Experiences of Doing Research Among Participatory Action Researchers. International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Urbana, IL.
- Cosgrove, D.** & Kramer, C. (2019, February). Interactive Designs: Drawing from Participatory

- Action Research to Promote Creative Engagement in Qualitative Research. Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Conference, Las Vegas, NV.
- Cosgrove, C. & Quick, C.** (2018, August). Gender Non-Binary Young Adults' Exploration of Self through Art and Critical Dialogue. Social Work and Sexualities Conference, Montreal, CA.
- Cosgrove, D. & Kramer, C.** (2018, May). Facilitators and barriers to using participatory action research among early career social work scholars: A data collection workshop. Workshop presentation at the annual International Congress for Qualitative Inquiry, Urbana, IL.
- Cosgrove, D. (2017, May). Gender Journeys: Inquiry into the Lived Experiences of Non-Binary Youth. International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry, Urbana, IL.
- Cosgrove, D. (2015, October). Queerness and Gender Diversity: Social Work Practice and Justice Beyond the Binary. Council on Social Work Education, Denver CO.

Invited Conference Presentations

- Kramer, C. & **Cosgrove, D.** (2019, August). Adolescent Leadership for Organizational and Community Change. National Association of Social Workers New York State Annual Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY.
- Cosgrove, D.** and Reid, P. (2017, October). Non-Binary Experiences Seen Through Arts-Based Research. Translating Identity Conference, Burlington, VT.
- Cosgrove, D. (2016, October). Social Work Practice with Transgender and Queer-Queer Youth. National Association of Social Workers, NYS Chapter Annual Conference, Albany, NY.

INTERNAL GRANTS

- 2021 Faculty Enhancement. *Summer research and scholarship support.* (Funded: \$8,333)
- 2020 Summer Research Grant. School of Education, Health and Society, Miami University. *Exploring Service Providers' Attitudes and Willingness to Support Nonbinary Gender-Affirmation.* (Funded: \$2,000)
- 2020 Research Seed Grant. School of Education, Health and Society, Miami University. *Community Belonging: Support and Stigma Among Nonbinary Young Adults.* (Funded: \$2,000)

EXTERNAL GRANTS

- 2021 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Funding requested \$78,325. *Health and Community Belonging: Support, stigma and wellness among nonbinary young adults (unfunded).*
- 2021 Looking Out Foundation. Funding requested \$5,000. *Health and Community Belonging: Support, stigma and wellness among nonbinary young adults (unfunded).*
- 2020 American Institutes of Research. Applicants: Schwartz, T., Flaspohler, P., Harris, Y., & **Cosgrove, D.** Funding requested \$49,533. *Children of Incarcerated Parents: Youth led Research, Action and Change (unfunded).*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2019-present Council on Social Work Education
2019-present Society for Social Work Research
2018-present Q Caucus: Caucus of LGBTQ+ Social Work Students and Faculty

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Student Recognition of Outstanding Teaching (2020). Miami University
Distinguished Dissertation Award (2020). University at Albany
Lavender Award- Excellence in LGBTQ+ Scholarship (2019). University at Albany
William J. Reid Doctoral Student Dissertation Scholarship Award (2017). University at Albany,
School of Social Welfare

CERTIFICATIONS

Anti-oppressive Informed Practitioner, OH NASW (2021)
New York State Licensed Social Worker (licensed since 2017, no. 100177)

SERVICE TO MIAMI UNIVERSITY

Department

Department Chair Search Committee (2021)
Assistant Clinical Professor Search Committee (2021)
Department representative for Bridges Students' campus visit (2021)
BSW Faculty Committee (2020-present)
MSW Faculty Committee (2020-present)

College

Faculty Advisory Committee to the Dean (2021-present)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2021 Peer Reviewer for:
Journal of Women and Therapy; Journal of Community Psychology; Health and
Social Care in the Community
2019-2020 Peer Reviewer for:
Health Promotion and Practice; Australian Social Work; Families in Society

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Trainer. (2020). LGBTQ 101. Catalyst Counseling (2.5 CEU), West Chester, OH.
Trainer. (2020). Promoting LGBTQ+ Affirming Care. (3 CEU), West Chester, OH.
Trainer. (2019). Advancing Adolescent Identity Formation and Agency: Lessons from Positive
Youth Development for Practitioners. University at Albany's School of Social Welfare,
Continuing Education Program (3 CEU), Albany, NY.
Trainer. (2019). Youth Leadership for Organizational and Community Transformation.
University at Albany's School of Social Welfare, Continuing Education Program (3
CEU), Albany, NY.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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2015-2020	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Clinician Senior Hope Counseling, Albany NY
2019-2020	Graduate Intern, National Center for Youth Opportunity and Justice, Policy Research Associates, Delmar NY
2018- 2019	Graduate Researcher Systems of Care New York State Wraparound Service Evaluation University at Albany, Center for Human Service Research, Albany NY
2016-2018	Psychotherapist, Choices Counseling and Consulting, Albany NY
2015- 2018	Research Assistant, University at Albany, School of Social Welfare, Albany NY
2008-2014	LGBT Grant and Program Coordinator <i>Planned Parenthood Mohawk Hudson, Schenectady NY</i>
2001-2008	Sexuality Educator and Trainer <i>Planned Parenthood Mohawk Hudson, Schenectady NY</i>