

Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (in Sociology), May 2012, The University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK.
Qualifying Exams: Quantitative Methods and Sociology of the Family

Master of Professional Studies (in Data Analytics), May 2018, The Pennsylvania State University.
Graduate Certificate (in Applied Statistics)

Master of Social Work, May 2004, The University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK.
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Bachelor of Social Work, April 2003, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI.
Minors: Guided Interdisciplinary Minor, Psychology, and Sociology
Honor: Magna Cum Laude

LICENSE AND CERTIFICATION

Licensed Clinical Social Worker (OK License # 2008 – 2012: 3619; TX License # 2012 – present: 57029)
Academy of Certified Social Workers (2012 – 2015)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Health behavior, violence, mental health, social determinants of health, ecology of families, child well-being, life course, socio-ecological approach, immigration, homeland security, criminology, artificial intelligence, quantitative and qualitative methods, and community-engaged arts.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Note: * undergraduate student author; † Master's student author; ‡ Ph.D. student author — All student authors were under my direct supervision; ☺ community partner.

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 8. **Paat, Y.-F.**, *Dorado, A. V., *Myers, N. W., *Martinez, A. & © Scully, S. (2025). Mental health challenges and barriers to veterans' adjustment to civilian life on the U.S.-Mexico Border. *Healthcare*, 13(3), 220. <https://doi.org/10.3390/healthcare13030220>
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<https://doi.org/10.1080/10926771.2023.2174465>
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18. Srinivasan, S. M., & **Paat, Y.-F.** (2024). A data-centric approach to understanding the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election. *Big Data and Cognitive Computing*, 8, 111.
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 43. **Paat, Y.-F.**, & Markham, C. (2019). The roles of family factors and relationship dynamics on dating violence victimization and perpetration among college men and women in emerging adulthood. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 34(1), 81-114.
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 44. **Paat, Y.-F.**, *Morales, J., ©Tullius, R., Moya, E. M., & Alcantara, R. (2019). A life course approach to understanding homelessness of shelter residents. *Journal of Social Distress and the Homeless*, 28(2), 176-185. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10530789.2019.1640410>
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- relationships intervention for community college students. *Journal of Applied Research on Children: Informing Policy for Children at Risk*, 8(1).
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EDITORIAL

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FUNDING

External Funding Awarded

- 2026 – 2027 National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), Grants for Arts Projects (GAP), Presenting & Multidisciplinary Works. \$15,000. Awarded. Project title: Bridging Creativity. (Role: PI).
- 2025 – 2026 Southwest Key Programs, Inc. through Cooperative Agreement for the Refugee and Migrant Behavioral Health Technical Assistance Center, SM-23-023, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). \$100,000. Awarded. Project title: Building Mental Health Resilience in Migrant and Refugee Communities. (Role: PI).
- 2023 – 2025 *Fiscal Year 2023 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP) Grant Program*, DHS-23-TTP-132-00-01, The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office for Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (OTVTP). \$296,806. Awarded. Project title: REACH (Resilience, Education, Action, Commitment, and Humanity): Using Critical Media Literacy, Civic Learning, and Arts-Based Approaches to Countering Terrorism and Targeted Violence on the US-Mexico Border Region and Beyond. (Role: PI/PD).
- 2022 – 2023 Border Biomedical Research Center (BBRC) Pilot Research Program through the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities. \$100,000. Awarded. Project title: Healthcare Providers' and Community Feedback on Intersecting Cancer-related Health Disparities: A Pilot Study to Inform Public Health Intervention Design. PI: Mangadu. (Role: Key Personnel/Data Analyst; 9 months at 3% effort).
- 2021 – 2025 U.S. Department of Education through Texas Health and Human Services Commission. \$707,372. Awarded. Project title: Targeting Early Intervention Personnel Turnover through Proven Retention Strategies. PI: Argus-Calvo. (Role: Key Personnel/Data Analyst; 9 months at 5% effort in 2023).
- 2021 – 2023 *Fiscal Year 2021 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP) Grant Program*, DHS-21-TTP-132-00-01, The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office for Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (OTVTP). \$750,000. Awarded. Project title: REACH (Resilience, Education, Action, Commitment, and Humanity): An Integrated Ecological Approach to Countering Terrorism and Targeted Violence on the US-Mexico Border Region. (Role: PI/PD).
- 2021 – 2026 *Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program*, HRSA-21-031, Health Resources & Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Division of Maternal and Child Health Workforce Development. \$250,000. Awarded. Project title: Healthy Families Healthy Kids Initiative. (Role: PI/PD).
- 2019 – 2021 *OVW FY 2019 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Program*, OVW-2019-15825, The U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women. \$283,676. Awarded. Project title: US-Mexico Border Rural Communities Response to Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence. PI: Mangadu. (Role: Key Personnel/Data Analyst; 3 months at 5% effort).
- 2018 – 2021 *OVW FY 2017 Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking on Campus Program*, OVW-2017-11904, The U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women. \$299,999. Awarded. Project title: Continuation Application:

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- UTEP Coordinated Community Response (CCR) Initiative for Reduction of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking on Campus. PI: Mangadu. (Role: Key Personnel/Evaluation; 9 months at 4% effort).
- 2017 *DHS Summer Research Team Program for Minority Serving Institutions Follow-on Funding*, The U.S. Department of Homeland Security. \$45,000. Awarded. Project title: Sexual Health Hazards and Border Security in International Travel. (Role: PI).
- 2016 *DHS Summer Research Team Program for Minority Serving Institutions*, The U.S. Department of Homeland Security. \$26,215.40. Awarded. Project title: Bidirectional Exchange of Global Sexual Health Hazards in International Travels: Implications for Border Security. (Role: PI).
- 2015 – 2018 *OVW Fiscal Year 2015 Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking on Campus Program*, OVW 2015-4032, The U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women. \$299,995. Awarded. Project title: The University of Texas at El Paso Coordinated Community Response Initiative for Reduction of Sexual Assault. PI: Mangadu. (Role: Key Personnel/Evaluation; 9 months at 2% effort).

Internal Funding: The University of Texas at El Paso

- 2022– 2023 *Community-Academic Partnership Capacity-Building Program (CAP²)*, College of Health Sciences, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$7,000. Awarded. Project title: Health Disparities in Spinal Cord Injuries on the US-Mexico Border. PIs: Gutierrez & Prieto. (Role: Co-PI/Faculty partner).
- 2018 *BUILDing SCHOLARS Travel Awards Program for Faculty*, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$2,000. Awarded.
- 2018 *University Research Institute (URI) Award*, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$5,000. Awarded. Project title: Volunteering Engagement and Persistence among Ethnic Minority Immigrants. (Role: PI).
- 2016 *BUILDing SCHOLARS Travel Awards Program for Faculty*, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$2,000. Awarded.
- 2016 – 2017 *BUILDing SCHOLARS Seed Funding Program*, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$30,138. Awarded. Project title: Outcomes Associated with Latin@ Student Engagement in an Interdisciplinary CURE. PI: Olimpo. (Role: Co-PI).
- 2015 *Community-Academic Partnership Capacity-Building Program (CAP²)* College of Health Sciences, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$4,000. Awarded. Project title: Immigrants and Refugees in Need. (Role: PI with R. Green).
- 2015 *Community-Academic Partnership Capacity-Building Program (CAP²)* College of Health Sciences, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$4,000. Awarded. Project title: Environmental Scan of Services for Children with Disabilities in El Paso. PIs: Summers & Barceleau. (Role: Faculty partner).
- 2013 *University Research Institute (URI) Award*, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$5,000. Awarded. Project title: Altruism, Rational Choice, and Aspiration in the Profession of Social Work. (Role: PI).

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

The University of Texas at El Paso

Courses Taught:

2012 – CHSC 6385 Independent Study
CHSC 6388 Research Applications
CHSC 6390 Directed Study
CHSC 6398 Dissertation I
CHSC 6399 Dissertation II
RSRC 4033 Undergraduate Research
SOWK 2320 Social Welfare Policy and Services I
SOWK 2331 Human Behavior & Social Environment I
SOWK 3175 Independent Study
SOWK 3320 Social Welfare Policy and Services II
SOWK 3341 Human Behavior & Social Environment II
SOWK 3350 Diagnostic Systems for Generalist Social Work
SOWK 4370 Generalist Social Work Practice III
SOWK 5313 Research Project
SOWK 5370 Social Work Research

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

Grant Reviewer

2023 *National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)*
2023 *National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)*
2021 *National Science Foundation's Law and Science (LS) Program*

Guest Editor

2026 – 2027 *Journal of Prevention and Intervention in the Community*
(Special Issue: Artificial Intelligence in Mental Health and Quality of Life)
2024 – 2025 *Discover Public Health*
(Collection: Ecology, Risk Factors, and Interventions in Youth Mental Health)
2024 – 2025 *Healthcare*
(Special Issue: Advancing Mental Well-Being and Health Equity in Marginalized Communities)
2022 – 2024 *Journal of Prevention and Intervention in the Community*
(Special Issue: Violence Prevention and Intervention; 2023, Volume 51, Issue 4)

Journal Editorial Board

2024 – *Journal of Prevention and Intervention in the Community*

Manuscript Reviewer (Past and Current)

American Behavioral Scientist
Archives of Community Medicine and Public Health
Cultural Diversity and Ethnic Minority Psychology
Educational Studies
Families in Society
Healthcare
Journal of Adolescent Health
Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment & Trauma
Journal of Family Issues
Journal of Family Social Work
Journal of Family Studies
Journal of Family Violence
Journal of Forensic Psychology Research and Practice
Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment
Journal of Latinos and Education
Journal of Offender Rehabilitation
Journal of Prevention and Intervention in the Community
Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research
Psychology of Violence
Social Science & Medicine
Social Work in Health Care
Sociological Inquiry
Spanish Journal of Psychology
VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2026 – Professor, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston, Houston TX.
2024 – 2026 Professor, Department of Social Work, The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso TX.
2018 – 2024 Associate Professor, Department of Social Work, The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso TX.
2013 – 2026 Affiliate Faculty, Interdisciplinary Health Sciences Ph.D. Program, The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, TX.
2012 – 2018 Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso TX.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2024 College Marshal, College of Health Sciences, The University of Texas at El Paso.
(Selected based on exceptional academic stature).
2024 Certificate of Recognition, Harmony Public Schools West Texas.

Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

- (Given in recognition of exceptional service as a valuable 2023-2024 Partner in Education).
- 2023 Provost's Faculty Fellow for Community-Engaged Scholarship, The University of Texas at El Paso. One month's summer salary and two course releases for 2 years.
(Awarded to one faculty member to lead efforts to support faculty community-engaged scholarship).
- 2023 Faculty Fellow for Scholarship and Research, College of Health Sciences, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$5,000 and one course release for 2 years.
(Awarded to one faculty member from the College of Health Sciences to cultivate a strong research culture within the college)
- 2022 *New Grant Award Recognition for Outstanding Efforts in Securing Extramural Funding*, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, The University of Texas at El Paso.
(Awarded for REACH, with V. Manjarrez)
- 2021 *New Grant Award Recognition for Outstanding Efforts in Securing Extramural Funding*, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, The University of Texas at El Paso.
(Awarded for Healthy Families Healthy Kids Initiative)
- 2020 *Mentoring Award*, College of Health Sciences and UTEP BUILDing SCHOLARS, The University of Texas at El Paso. \$1,000.
(Awarded to one faculty member from the College of Health Sciences for excellence in mentoring students in research. Four UTEP colleges participated in the Mentoring Award program)
- 2019 Awardee, Summer Sabbatical Program, UTEP BUILDing SCHOLARS NIH Award # RL5GM118969. \$14,000.
(Awarded to six visiting faculty researchers from UTEP and the pipeline partner institutions)
- 2018 Awardee, Summer Sabbatical Program, UTEP BUILDing SCHOLARS NIH Award # RL5GM118969. \$14,000.
(Awarded to six visiting faculty researchers from UTEP and the pipeline partner institutions)
- 2017 *New Grant Award Recognition for Outstanding Efforts in Securing Extramural Funding*, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, The University of Texas at El Paso.
- 2015 *Perfect Attendance during the Centennial Year*, UTEP Aware Program, CLASS XXIV, The University of Texas at El Paso.
- 2015 *Friend of a Registered Student Organization (RSO)*, Student Engagement & Leadership Center, The University of Texas at El Paso.
(Named by students as a faculty member of the university who has positively impacted an RSO)
- 2015 Awardee, Summer Sabbatical Program, UTEP BUILDing SCHOLARS NIH Award # 1RL5MD009592. \$14,000.
(Awarded to five visiting faculty researchers from UTEP and the pipeline partner institutions)
- 2014 Recipient, *Spring 2015 Teaching Release Opportunity for Grant Proposal Writing*, the Provost and Vice President for Research, The University of Texas at El Paso.
- 2012 *Ph.D. Student of the Year*, Sociology Department, The University of Oklahoma.
(Awarded to the most outstanding sociology Ph.D. student annually)
- 2012 *1st place Graduate Award, Visual Sociology*, Southwestern Sociological Association.
(Photography essay title: Housing Inequality in Malaysia)
- 2012 *Distinguished Graduate Paper Award*, Southwestern Sociological Association.

Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

(Paper title: A Comparison of Two Theoretical Explanations in Assessing Immigrant Children's Assimilation Pathways)

2011 *Sam and Shaindel Singer and Hyman and Rose Teller Scholarship*, The University of Oklahoma.

2011 *Sooner Heritage Scholarship*, The University of Oklahoma.

2011 *1st place, Graduate Student Paper Competition*, Alpha Kappa Delta: The International Sociology Honor Society.

(Paper title: Family and Community Determinants of Mexican Children's Scholastic Performance)

2011 *Robert E. and Mary B. Sturgis Scholarship*, Arts and Science College, The University of Oklahoma.

2011 *2nd place Graduate Award, Visual Sociology*, Southwestern Sociological Association.

(Photography essay title: Family Determinants of Educational Inequality for School Children: Human Capital, Financial Capital, and Social Capital)

2011 *2nd place "People's Choice" Award, Visual Sociology*, Southwestern Sociological Association.

(Photography essay title: Family Determinants of Educational Inequality for School Children: Human Capital, Financial Capital, and Social Capital)

2010 *Sam and Shaindel Singer and Hyman and Rose Teller Scholarship*, The University of Oklahoma.

2010 *Sooner Heritage Scholarship*, The University of Oklahoma.

2010 *Outstanding Asian-American Student Award*, Asian-American Student Life, The University of Oklahoma.

2010 *1st place, Poster Presentation of Graduate Research in the Area of Social Science, Fine Arts and Humanities*, Student Research and Performance Day, The University of Oklahoma.

(Poster title: The Link between Financial Strain, Interparental Discord and Children's Antisocial Behaviors)

2009 *Sam and Shaindel Singer and Hyman and Rose Teller Scholarship*, The University of Oklahoma.

2009 *Grasmick Summer Research Award*, Sociology Department, The University of Oklahoma.

2009 *Empowerment of Spirit Award*, Women's and Gender Studies, The University of Oklahoma.

2003 *Whitney M. Young Jr. Scholars' Award*, School of Social Work, Western Michigan University.

(Awarded annually to one social work minority undergraduate whose service and scholarship fit the ideals Whitney M. Young Jr. presented)

1999 *Sunway College Tun Dato' Seri Omar Ong Entrance Scholarship*, Sunway College Malaysia.