# Faculty Updates

**Maria Cancian** was nominated by President Obama to be Assistant Secretary for Children and Families in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

**Lonnie Berger** became the Director of the Institute for Research on Poverty. He continues to Chair the Doctoral Program.

**Yang Xiong** officially joins the School of Social Work faculty!

## Welcome!

**First Year Students**

- Ángela Guarín
- You Hang Her
- Emma Kahle
- Hana Lee

## Congratulations!

**2014 Graduates**

- Mike Edwards
- Sarah Font
- Eun Hee Han
- Yeongmin Kim

## Student Announcements

- **Laura Cuesta, Tricia Egan, Leah Gjertson, Andrea Larson, and Eun Ha Namkung** won doctoral student awards this past year.

- **Lanikque Howard** is taking a leave of absence from the program to work at the Administration for Children and Families.

- **Yiyu Chen** gave birth to baby Jiwei Eva Yang on December 10, 2013.

- **Tenah Hunt (Acquaye)** was married on July 5th in Pasadena, CA.

- **Sarah Font** was married on May 17th in Detroit, MI.

- **Bomi Hirsch (Kim)** was married on August 30th in Madison, WI.

- **Hana Lee** and **Ángela Guarín** were recently engaged to be married.

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## Social Work News

In memory of late Professor Alfred Kadushin, the Alfred Kadushin Dissertation Research Award is being established by the Kadushin family, School of Social Work alumni, his friends, colleagues, and former students. This annual award will support a Social Work doctoral student’s dissertation research (more inside).
Welcome incoming doctoral cohort of 2014!

Ángela María Guarín Aristizábal earned her BA in Journalism in 2009 and her BA in Sociology in 2010 from Javeriana University in Colombia. Her undergraduate thesis in Journalism was a qualitative study to evaluate the state of the inclusion of women in the journalism field within the country, and her Sociology thesis evaluated the role of social capital in the fight against poverty. Her professional experience combines both the public and private sector. She worked for the Colombian government by supporting the implementation of the national strategy to overcome poverty, and for the Colombian Rural Development Institute. She spent the last three years working with indigenous populations in northern Colombia, undertaking socioeconomic and cultural characterizations, and mediating between them and oil companies. Her primary research interests include poverty and antipoverty policies, social inequality, political and economic development, social policies, and minorities. She will also be working towards her MSW as a joint program student. Dan Meyer is her faculty advisor and Vanessa Rios-Salas is her peer mentor.

Hana Lee earned her MSW from UW-Madison in 2013. She attended Kyungpook National University in Taegu, South Korea where she earned her BA in Social Welfare in 2011. She is interested in child abuse and neglect, prevention of child maltreatment, domestic violence, family resilience, child and family education, permanency, evidence-based practice, and community social work and poverty. Hana worked as a Family Case Manager at the Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Community Services in Milwaukee from September 2013 to January 2014. Her primary role was to coordinate services for the children in out-of-home care settings and their parents. Lonnie Berger is her faculty advisor and June Paul is her peer mentor.

You Hang Her was in the second cohort of the Part-Time MSW Program in Eau Claire and earned her MSW in 2012. She attended UW-Eau Claire as an undergraduate as well where she earned her BSW in 2010. You Hang is interested in culturally appropriate end of life care, hospice care, health care, disease, aging, and culture competency. Tracy Schroepfer is her faculty advisor and Kristy Anderson is her peer mentor.

Emma Kahle earned her BA in Psychology in May of 2014 from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. She is interested in interpersonal violence in intimate relationships and families, particularly in international populations that include immigrants and refugees. She will also be working towards her MSW as a joint program student. Lonnie Berger is her faculty advisor and Andrea Larson is her peer mentor.

PICTURED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:
Ángela, Hana, You Hang, Emma
WELCOME!

Annual Picnic 2014
CONGRATULATIONS!
STUDENT LIFE

Top: Spring Research Luncheon
Middle Left: Memorial Union Terrace
Middle Right: Ying-Chun, Young Sun, and Yiyu carving a turkey
Bottom Left: Gomeroke Night
Bottom Right: Sarah Font’s farewell gathering at the terrace
Dan, Vanessa, and Laura presented their work at a seminar entitled, “Gender and Social Change in the Developing Regions: Managing Obligations to Children in Separated Families”
Laura was awarded the Irving Piliavin Award for demonstrating her commitment to studying “real life problems” through the use of advanced statistical techniques and research methodology.

Andrea was awarded the Sheldon D Rose Memorial Award for her interest in developing a career in group work and research-based direct practice. She also received the Teaching Assistant Excellence Award for her exemplary work as a teaching assistant and her dedication to the students of our School of Social Work.

Tricia was awarded pre-dissertation support from the Associate for Gerontology Education in Social Work. Ten social work doctoral students are chosen each year from around the nation, and each awardee receives financial support and mentoring.

Leah won the Doctoral Student Research Paper Competition for her paper titled, “Emergency Saving and Household Hardship.” She was also awarded a Doris Duke Fellowship for the Promotion of Child Wellbeing.

Eun Ha received the 2013 New Investigator Award from the UW-Madison Institute on Aging.
Please Join Us in Honoring the Memory of

Professor Alfred Kadushin
(September 19, 1916 – February 5, 2014)

The Alfred Kadushin Dissertation Research Award

Much beloved teacher and scholar Professor Alfred Kadushin taught at the School of Social Work at the University of Wisconsin-Madison for more than forty years. One of the nation’s leading scholars in child welfare services, social work, and social work education, he was the author of six major textbooks, including *Child Welfare Services*, *The Social Work Interview*, and *Supervision in Social Work*. Writing just after his death, the National Association of Social Workers called him “a social work giant.”

To honor his memory, the School of Social Work, with support from the Kadushin family, has established an annual award to assist a social work doctoral student whose dissertation research focuses on the field of child welfare, an area central to Professor Kadushin’s scholarship and teaching.

*The Alfred Kadushin Dissertation Research Award* will support doctoral students who are continuing Professor Kadushin’s legacy of insightful and groundbreaking research in child welfare. Trained and supported by lauded professors Kristen Shook Slack and Lawrence Berger, the School of Social Work prepares the next generation of scholars in Kadushin’s footsteps.
Stay tuned...

Don’t forget that all doctoral students and faculty have access to the Social Work Doctoral Program Learn@UW site, which has lots of useful information — student directory, Program Guidelines, examples of grant proposals and dissertation proposals, tips on writing abstracts and papers, and more!