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EDUCATION

Master of Social Work, Washington University in Saint Louis, *St. Louis, MO* 2010- 2012
Concentration: Gerontology, Specialization: Research

Bachelor of Social Work, University of Iowa, *Iowa City, IA* 2004-2008
Second Major: Psychology

HONORS & AWARDS

Pre-Dissertation Fellow, *Association for Gerontology Education in Social Work (AGESW)*
2018 Cohort

Graduate Research Fellow, *Institute of Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison*
September 2017-Present

Brown School of Social Work Scholarship Recipient, *Washington University in St. Louis*
September 2010- May 2012

Turning the Tide Fellow, *Public Allies and AmeriCorps*
September 2008-August 2010

Iowa N.E.W. Leadership, *Women's Resource & Action Center, Iowa City, IA*
June 2008

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, *Center for Demography of Health and Aging, University of Wisconsin, Madison WI*
August 2018-Present

- Working with Dr. Stephanie Robert using restricted data from the National Health and Aging Trends Study (NHATS) to examine social and economic disparities among older adults.

Project Assistant, *University of Wisconsin School of Social Work, Madison, WI*
February 2017-May 2018

- Assisted Dr. Tally Moses with the data analysis and management of the Behavioral Health in Schools program evaluation funded by the Wisconsin Partnership Program.

Research Assistant, *Center for Aging, Washington University, St. Louis, MO*
October 2011-May 2012

- Worked with Dr. Nancy Morrow-Howell on the program evaluation of a national volunteer program (4,284 respondents) and communicated findings in multiple forms including: a presentation to the OASIS Institute Board of Directors, research brief and final report.

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATION

Jenkins Morales, M., King, M.D., Hiler, H., Coopwood, M.S., & Wayland, S. (2014). The Greater St. Louis LGBT Health and Human Services Needs Assessment: An Examination of the Silent and Baby Boom Generations. *Journal of Homosexuality*, 61, 103-128. doi: 10.1080/00918369.2013.835239

Article also featured in: B. De Vries & C. F. Croghan (Eds.), *Community-Based Research on LGBT Aging* (pp. 103-128). London, England: Routledge.

PUBLICATION IN PROGRESS

Jenkins Morales, M. & Robert, S.A. (under review). Black-White Disparities in Moves to Assisted Living and Nursing Homes Among Older Medicare Beneficiaries.

REPORTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Moses, T., & **Jenkins Morales, M.** (2017). *Final Report: 2016-2017 Behavioral Health in Schools Impact Survey*. Madison, WI: The University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Social Work.

Jenkins Morales, M. (2012, November 15). *Results and Implications of the St. Louis LGBT Older Adults Needs Assessment*. Retrieved from <http://www.asaging.org/blog/results-and-implications-st-louis-lgbt-older-adults-needs-assessment>

Jenkins, M. & Frieswick, J. (2012). *Final Report: Dementia Friendly Hospital Initiative Program Evaluation*. St. Louis, MO: Alzheimer's Association St. Louis Chapter.

Jenkins, M., Greenfield, J.C., & Morrow-Howell, N. (2012). *Final Report: Second National Survey*. St. Louis, MO: The OASIS Institute and the Brown School of Social Work, Washington University.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Jenkins Morales, M. & Robert, S.A. (January 18, 2019). Disparities in Unmet Care Needs and Long-Term Care Transitions Among Older Renters Versus Homeowners. Society for Social Work Research, San Francisco, CA.

Jenkins Morales, M. & Robert, S.A. (November 15, 2018). Social Determinants of Transition out of Community Residence to Assisted Living and Nursing Homes Among Older Adults. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Boston, MA.

Jenkins Morales, M. & Robert, S.A. (October 25, 2018). Examining Potential Income and Black/White Disparities in Access to Long-Term Care Options for Older Adults. Annual Colloquium on Aging, Madison, WI.

Siegel, K., **Jenkins Morales, M.**, Moses, T., & Curti, A. (October 23, 2017). The Greatness and Challenges in Providing Integrated Mental Health Services in Schools: Lessons from the Field. National Association of Social Workers Wisconsin Chapter Annual Conference, Madison, WI.

Clark, K., Orr, N., Russell, J., & **Jenkins Morales, M.** (July 14, 2015). Engaging and Preparing the Next Generation of Leaders to Advocate for Aging Issues. National Association of Area Agencies on Aging Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Lee, K., & **Jenkins Morales, M.** (March, 22, 2015). Home-Delivered Meals Satisfaction Survey Results among Older Adults in Suburban Cook County Illinois. American Society on Aging, Chicago, IL.

Cahill, K., & **Jenkins Morales, M.** (March 22, 2015). Visualize How to Improve Your Community Based Program: The Power of Creating Free Interactive Maps. American Society on Aging Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Lee, K., & **Jenkins Morales, M.** (January 15, 2015). Home-Delivered Meals Program: A Promising Intervention for Suburban Older Adults Living Alone. Society for Social Work & Research Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Jenkins Morales, M., Coniglio, R., & Mitchell, J. (December 13, 2013). Emergency Preparedness: Collaboration is the KEY. Governor's Conference on Aging and Disability, Chicago, IL.

Jenkins Morales, M., Goldbaum, C., Reko, R., & McClain, A. (December 12, 2013). Discovering the Assets and Benefits of Older Professional Level Volunteers. Governor's Conference on Aging and Disability, Chicago, IL.

Jenkins, M. (2012). Depression among Older Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Adults: The Role of Discrimination, Loneliness, & Event Participation. Brown School of Social Work- Research Without Walls, St. Louis, MO.

PRACTICE & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, *University of Wisconsin School of Social Work, Madison, WI*
September 2016-May 2017

- Assisted with preparation, grading, and lecturing for SW453: Social Work and Substance Use Disorders.

Manager of Benefits, Information & Education, *AgeOptions, Oak Park, IL*
July 2014-July 2016

- Responsible for the strategic direction, program goals, implementation strategies and daily operations of the team responsible for Information and Assistance, Aging and Disability Resource Network, Benefits Access and Money Follows the Person (these programs reached approximately 81,200 older adults and people with disabilities in 2014). Provide direct supervision and performance review of six full time social workers on federal, state and foundation funded projects. Manage program and resource development, including grant writing and contracting services.

Planning Specialist, *AgeOptions, Oak Park, IL*
July 2012-July 2014

- Analyzed program, census and funding formula data to identify trends and make informed recommendations for planning, program design and advocacy. Led listening sessions with diverse groups of participants to identify strengths and gaps in the aging network. Synthesized complex program information to create a consumer friendly summary of the Area Plan on Aging. Initiated the development of a quality improvement system using measurable outcomes agency-wide.

Graduate Intern, *Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders (SAGE), St. Louis, MO*
January 2011-May 2012

- Conceptualized and authored an academic journal article on the needs of LGBT older adults in the St. Louis region. Analyzed needs assessment data from an online survey tool in SPSS. Secured grant funding for the SAGE friendly visitor program. Co-facilitated an LGBT friendly grief support group.

Family Services and Education Intern, *Alzheimer's Association, St. Louis, MO*
May 2011-May 2012

- Analyzed program evaluation data of the Dementia Friendly Hospital Initiative at five major hospitals. Led family and professional education classes in a variety of settings. Provided support and guidance to individuals with dementia and family members on the Helpline.

Clinical Interviewer, *Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO*

September 2010-April 2012

- Assessed active duty military personnel for PTSD and depression using the Clinician-Administered PTSD Scale (CAPS) and Montgomery-Asberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS).

Field Interviewer, *Center for Violence and Injury Prevention, St. Louis, MO*

November 2010-November 2011

- Administered caregiver interviews and child development screens to families in the child welfare system. Streamlined recruitment, interview and data entry processes in Microsoft Access.

Mental Health Professional, *Rice Child and Family Center, Evanston, IL*

September 2008-July 2010

- Provided emotional and environmental support to children with a history of severe trauma. Advocated for clients as an Educational Surrogate Parent in the school setting.

Medical Social Work Intern, *University of Iowa Hospitals, Iowa City, IA*

May 2008-August 2008

- Conducted psychosocial assessments in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and collaborated with a multidisciplinary team to ensure continuity of care in discharge planning.

SELECTED SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Field Education Committee Member, *University of Wisconsin School of Social Work, Madison, WI*

September 2018-present

Curriculum Committee Member, *University of Wisconsin School of Social Work, Madison, WI*

September 2017-August 2018

Pro Bono Consultant, *National Resource Center on LGBT Aging, New York, NY*

August 2016-April 2017

Diversity & Inclusion Committee Member, *AgeOptions, Oak Park, IL*

October 2013-October 2015

Leadership Core, *Chicago Bridge, Chicago, IL*

December 2012-December 2014

Research Without Walls Committee Co-Chair, *Washington University, St. Louis, MO*

February 2012-May 2012

Crisis Intervention Program Volunteer, *Crisis Center, Iowa City, IA*

June 2006-August 2008

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Gerontological Society on Aging

Society for Social Work Research

National Association of Social Workers