## ELYAS BAKHTIARI

curriculum vitae

Department of Sociology 96-100 Cummington Street Boston, MA 02215

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#### **EDUCATION**

In Progress Ph.D. Boston University, Sociology

Dissertation Title: Unhealthy Trajectories: Race, Migration, and Health

Across Immigration Eras in the United States

Dissertation Committee: Sigrun Olafsdottir (chair), Jason Beckfield, Nazli

Kibria

2004 B.A. Trinity University

Sociology, with a minor in Political Science, Magna Cum Laude

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Race and Ethnicity Medical Sociology Afghanistan & Middle East Quantitative Methods **International Migration** Health Disparities

### **PUBLICATIONS**

### Peer-reviewed articles

2014 Olafsdottir, Sigrun, Elyas Bakhtiari, and Emily Barman. "Public or Private? The Role of the State and Civil Society in Health and Health Inequalities Across Nations." Social Science and Medicine.

2013 Olafsdottir, Sigrun, Jason Beckfield, and Elyas Bakhtiari.

> "Contextualizing Disparities: The Case for Comparative Research on Social Inequalities in Healthcare." in Research in the Sociology of Health

Care. Vol. 31.

2013 Beckfield, Jason, Sigrun Olafsdottir, and Elyas Bakhtiari. "Health Inequalities in Global Context." *American Behavioral Scientist* 57(8):

1014-1039.

#### *Book chapters and other publications*

2015 Olafsdottir, Sigrun and Elyas Bakhtiari. "Healthcare Policy and Citizenship." in The Palgrave International Handbook of Healthcare Policy and Governance, edited by Ellen Kuhlmann, Robert H. Blank, Ivy Lynn Bourgeault, and Claus Wendt. Palgrave Macmillan.

- Olafsdottir, Sigrun and **Elyas Bakhtiari**. "Social Construction of Mental Illness." In William C. Cockerham, Robert Dingwall, and Stella Quah (Eds.), *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health, Illness, Behavior and Society*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing Ltd.
- Bakhtiari, Elyas and Sigrun Olafsdottir. "Social Constructionism." In William C. Cockerham, Robert Dingwall, and Stella Quah (Eds.), *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health, Illness, Behavior and Society*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing Ltd.
- Bakhtiari, Elyas and Sigrun Olafsdottir. "Medicalization of Mental Illness." In William C. Cockerham, Robert Dingwall, and Stella Quah (Eds.), *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Health, Illness, Behavior and Society.* Oxford: Blackwell Publishing Ltd.

## Unpublished Manuscripts

- Under Rev. **Bakhtiari, Elyas,** Sigrun Olafsdottir and Jason Beckfield. "Institutions, Incorporation, and Inequality: The Case of Health Disparities in Europe."
- Under Rev. Jonathan J.B. Mijs\*, **Elyas Bakhtiari**\* and Michele Lamont. "How Neoliberalism Impacts Symbolic Boundaries in Europe: Global Diffusion, Local Context, Regional Variation."
  \*Denotes equal authorship
- In Progress **Bakhtiari, Elyas.** "When Disparities Were White: Child Mortality Patterns for European Immigrants in the Early 20th Century."

#### FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

2012-2015	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2015	American Sociological Association Graduate Fellowship, US-UK Medical Sociology Conference, Iceland
2014	Morris Dissertation Research Support, Department of Sociology, Boston University: \$500
2014	GSO Conference Travel Grant, Boston University: \$500
2013	Morris Collaborative Research Grant, Boston University: \$2,500 (with Sigrun Olafsdottir and Emily Barman).
2013	Morris Travel Grant, Department of Sociology, Boston University: \$1,000
2013	ICPSR Summer Funding, Boston University: \$2,400
2012	ICPSR Summer Funding, Boston University: \$3,600

2011-2012	Teaching Fellowship, Boston University
2010-2011	Presidential Fellowship, Boston University
2004	Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society
2004	C. Wright Mills Award for Sociological Excellence, Trinity University
2004	Magna Cum Laude, Trinity University

# **CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES**

Presentations	
2014	"Contextualizing Racial and Ethnic Health Inequalities," Annual Meeting, American Sociological Association. San Francisco.
2014	"Do Social Policies Matters? The Impact of Welfare State Intervention on Health and Health Inequalities in Rich Democracies," Social Policy and Health Inequalities: An International Perspective. CIQSS/QICSS, Montreal.
2014	"Immigrant Acculturation and Health: A Latent Class Approach", Annual Meeting, Eastern Sociological Society. Baltimore.
2013	"Migrant Health in Europe: A Cross-National Analysis of the 'Healthy Immigrant Effect'", 20th Annual International Conference of Europeanists. Amsterdam.
2012	"Migrant Health in Europe: A Cross-National Analysis of the 'Healthy Immigrant Effect'", International Migration Paper Session: Immigration and Health, Annual Meeting, American Sociological Association. Denver.
2012	"Are Immigrants Always Healthier? Evaluating the 'Healthy Immigrant Effect' Cross-Nationally in Europe." Immigration and Health Roundtable, Annual Meeting, Eastern Sociological Society. New York.

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2015	Instructor, <i>Sociology of Health and Medicine</i> . Department of Sociology, Boston University.
2014	Instructor, <i>Sociological Methods</i> . Department of Sociology, Boston University.
2012	Teaching Fellow, <i>Society and Health</i> with Sigrun Olafsdottir. Department of Sociology, Boston University.
2011	Teaching Fellow, <i>Introduction to Sociology</i> with Ashley Mears. Department of Sociology, Boston University.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2014	Research Assistant, "Symbolic Boundaries in Europe", Michele Lamont (Principal Investigator), Harvard University
2012	Research Assistant, Sacred Stories: Spirituality and Religion in Everyday Life, chapter on religion and health, Nancy Ammerman.
2011	Research Assistant, "A Comparative Approach to Social Inequalities in Health" (Grant # 1R03HD066013-01), Sigrun Olafsdottir (Principal Investigator), The National Institutes of Health: NICHD.
2011	Research Assistant, Genomic Sovereignty Research Project, Ruha Benjamin (Principal Investigator), Boston University.

# ADDITIONAL TRAINING

2015	"Immigration, Immigrants, and Health Conditions," Gilbert Gee, John Garcia, Krista Perreira, Gabriel Sanchez, Carmela Alcantara. Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (Ann Arbor, MI)
2013	"Hierarchical Linear Models," Aline Sayer. Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (Amherst, MA)
2012	"Social Network Analysis," Ann McCranie. Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (Ann Arbor, MI)
2012	"Regression Analysis III: Advanced Methods," David Armstrong. Inter- University Consortium for Political and Social Research (Ann Arbor, MI)

# PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Sociological Association

- Section Member: Medical Sociology, International Migration, Race and Ethnicity Eastern Sociological Society

# **SERVICE**

2014	Presider, Session: Intersections of Racial, Ethnic & Gendered Identities, Annual Meeting, Eastern Sociological Society. Baltimore.
2013	Graduate Student Representative, Faculty Search Committee, Boston University
2013	Discussant, Session: Immigrants and Incorporation: Are There Winners and Losers? 20th Annual International Conference of Europeanists.

Amsterdam.

2013	Discussant, Session: Stigma of Mental Illness in Europe, 20th Annual
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International Conference of Europeanists. Amsterdam.

2012 Presider, Medical Sociology Regular Session 2, Annual Meeting,

American Sociological Association. Denver.

-- Reviewer, European Sociological Review

## **SKILLS**

Computing: R, Python (rudimentary), Stata, HLM, SPSS

Languages: Dari/Persian (limited proficiency)

### **REFERENCES**

Sigrun Olafsdottir Associate Professor of Sociology Boston University sigrun@bu.edu

Jason Beckfield Associate Professor of Sociology Harvard University jbeckfie@wjh.harvard.edu

Nazli Kibria Professor of Sociology Boston University nkibria@bu.edu