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**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**  Postdoctoral Fellow, Population Health

NYU Grossman School of Medicine, New York, NY

07/2023 - Present

#### **EDUCATION**

Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology

Columbia University, New York, NY, conferred October 2023

- Dissertation: States, Selves, & Social Welfare: The American Therapeutic State in Comparative Perspective
- Committee: Adam Reich (chair), Gil Eyal, Bruce Western, Gerard Torrats-Espinosa, Michelle Phelps

Master of Philosophy, Sociology Columbia University, New York, NY, conferred October 2022

Master of Arts, Sociology Columbia University, New York, NY, conferred May 2019

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, conferred May 2014

PUBLICATIONS Aleksanyan, Josh, Sugy Choi, Patricia Lincourt, Constance Burke, Kelly Ramsey, Shazia Hussain, Ashly Jordan, Maria Morris, Thomas D'Aunno, Sherry Glied, et al. 2023. "Lost in Transition: A Protocol for a Retrospective, Longitudinal Cohort Study for Addressing Challenges in Opioid Treatment for Transition-Age Adults." PLOS ONE, Forthcoming.

> Aleksanyan, Josh. 2022. "Governing Beyond the Closet: Remaking Stigma, Identity, and Sexual Behavior in a Post-Disciplinary Rehab." Ethnography 23(4):516-538.

### UNDER REVIEW

Aleksanyan, Josh, Zobaida Maria, Diego Renteria, Adetayo Fawole, Ashly Jordan, Sueun Hong, Sugy Choi, and Charles Neighbors. 2024. "If You Just Give Them a Handbook... You've Lost Them': Perspectives of Treatment Providers Who Oversee Transition-Age Adults, 18-25, with Substance Use Disorder."

Aleksanyan, Josh. 2024. Welfare, Punishment, and the Social Policy of Therapeutic Governance.

• 2023 Winner of the Bruce D. Johnson Student Paper Award, Drinking and Drugs Division, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP).

Aleksanyan, Josh, Sugy Choi, and Ichiro Kawachi. 2024. "Reproductive Rights at the U.S. State Level and Medication Access for Pregnant Women with Opioid Use."

# WORK IN PROGRESS

Polysubstance Use Patterns at the U.S. State Level and Receipt of Medications for Opioid Use Disorder.

Identifying Sequences and Mapping Trajectories of Young Adults, 18-25, in Substance Use Treatment.

Organizational Factors Associated with Quality of Care for Opioid Use Disorders Among Transition-Age Adults in Medicaid (PI: Charles Neighbors).

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## **Graduate Teaching Fellow**

09/2018 - 05/2023

Department of Sociology, Columbia University, New York, NY

- Developed lesson plans and facilitated weekly student discussion groups for undergraduate courses: Introduction to Sociology, Sociological Theory, Global Urbanism, and Research Methods.
- Held weekly office hours, graded over 150 undergraduate students over the course of fellowship; wrote and submitted recommendation letters.

### RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Multilevel and Mixed Models, Regression Analysis,

COURSEWORK Longitudinal Analysis, Causal Inference

**SKILLS** 

Natural and Programming Languages: English (native), Russian (passive), R, LaTeX

# FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & AWARDS

2023. Postdoctoral Fellowship, NYU Grossman School of Medicine

2023. Bruce D. Johnson Student Paper Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)

2022. GSAS Matching Travel Award, Columbia University

2018. Spivack Travel Award, Columbia University

2017. Paul F. Lazarsfeld Fellowship, Columbia University

2020. Lab Grant, Interdisciplinary Center for Innovative Theory and Empirics (IN-CITE), Columbia University

2019. Department Grant, Department of Sociology, Columbia University

#### **TALKS**

"Medication for pregnant clients with opioid use disorder: A multilevel approach." Lifespan/Brown Criminal Justice Research Training Program on Substance Use and HIV (CJRT). March, 2024. New York, NY.

"Latino/a/e Trajectories in the New York State Substance Use Treatment System." Lifespan/Brown Criminal Justice Research Training Program on Substance Use and HIV (CJRT). February, 2024. New York, NY.

"Welfare, Punishment, and the Social Policy of Therapeutic Governance." American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Regular Session on Social Determinants of Health and Well-being among People who Use Drugs. February, 2018. Baltimore, MD.

"From 'Gay Addicts' to 'Sexually Compulsive': Governing Sexual Marginality in the Age of the New Brain Sciences." Gender and Sexuality Workshop, Columbia University. October, 2018. New York, NY.

"Nothing is straightforward around here, excuse the pun': How Healthcare Staff Govern Gay Addicts by Governing Each Oher," Eastern Sociological Society An-

nual Conference, Regular Session on Organizations and Inequality. February, 2018. Baltimore, MD.

"LGBT Addiction Treatment & Neoliberal Affect," Dean of Studies & Lifetime Learning Institute, Annual Presentations. May, 2014. Annual de-on-Hudson, NY.

"Men, 'Gut-check' and 'Show Your Strength': Governing 'Healthy Masculinity' Through Men Can Stop Rape (MCSR) Movement," American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Honors Program. August, 2013. New York, NY.

# SERVICE & ACTIVITIES

Attendee, Liberating Methadone Conference, 2023
Member, American Sociological Association, 2014-Present
Member, Eastern Sociological Society, 2018-Present
Co-Coordinator, Gender and Sexuality Workshop, Columbia University, 2021
Volunteer, The Osborne Association, 2018-2020
Elected Chair, Multicultural and Diversity Committee, Bard College, 2013-14
Elected Chair, Education Policy Committee, Bard College, 2012-13
Founder, Sociology Lab, Bard College, 2012-14