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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2019-Present Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Florida

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2019 Ph.D. Sociology University of Central Florida

Dissertation: Socioeconomic Status and Prescription Opioid Use Behaviors among U.S. Adults:
A Test of the Fundamental Cause Theory Framework

Concentration: Medical Sociology

Chair: Jason A. Ford

2017-2019 Predoctoral Fellow Health Policy Research Scholars, Robert Wood Johnson

2016 M.A. Sociology Lehigh University

2014 B.A. Sociology West Chester University of Pennsylvania

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Medical Sociology

Population Health

Race & Ethnicity

Substance Use & Misuse

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES (*student co-author)

Yao Li and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** (in press) When “Model Minorities” Become “Yellow Peril”—Othering and the Racialization of Asian Americans in the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Sociology Compass*. Doi:10.1111/soc4.12849

Nicholas Smith* and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** (2020) Perceived Discrimination and Mental Health among African American and Caribbean Black Adolescents: Ethnic Differences in Processes and Effects. *Ethnicity & Health*. Doi:10.1177/0020764020950781

Hans Oh, **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.**, Ai Koyanagi, Louis Jacob, and Joe Glass. (2020) Urban Upbringing and Psychiatric Disorders in the United States: A Racial Comparison. *International Journal of Social Psychiatry*. Doi:10.1080/13557858.2020.1814998

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. and Di Mei* (2020) Racial Microaggressions and Self-Rated Health among Asians and Asian Americans. *Race and Social Problems*. 12, 209-218

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. (2020) Socioeconomic Status, Fundamental Cause Theory, and Prescription Opioid Use Behaviors: A Theoretical Examination. *Sociological Spectrum*. 40(1), 1-32.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. (2020) Associations between Major and Everyday Discrimination and Self-Rated Health among US Asians and Asian Americans. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*. (7), 262-268

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr., James Scott Carter, and Arjee Restar. (2020) Strength in Numbers: Perceptions of Political Commonality with African Americans among Asians and Asian Americans in the United States. *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*. 6(1), 107-122.

Khary Rigg and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** (2019) Prescription Opioid Misuse among African American adults: A Rural-Urban Comparison of Prevalence and Risk. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 197, 191-196.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. and Jolene Vincent. (2019) Gender Differences in Prescription Opioid Misuse among US Black Adults. *Substance Use & Misuse*, 54(4), 639-650.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. and Jason A. Ford. (2019) Sociodemographic, Neighborhood, Psychosocial, and Substance Use Correlates of Cocaine Use among Black Adults: Findings from a Pooled Analysis of National Data. *Addictive Behaviors*. 88, 182-186.

Amy Donley and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** (2019) Comparing the Health of Relocated Public Housing Residents and Current Residents of a Historically Black Community: The Moderating Role of Social Cohesion. *Journal of Black Studies*. 50, 26-44.

Jason A. Ford, Melanie Sberna Hinojosa, and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** (2018) Disability Status and Prescription Drug Misuse among US Adults. *Addictive Behaviors*. 85, 64-69.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. and Jason A. Ford. (2018) Correlates of Prescription Opioid Misuse among Black Adults: Findings from the 2015 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 186, 264-267.

REVISE AND RESUBMIT

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. and Paris Wheeler. Ethnicity and Prescription Drug Misuse among US Black Adults. *Substance Use & Misuse*.

Hans Oh and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** Perceived Skin Tone Discrimination and Suicide risk among Black Americans: Findings from the National Survey of American Life. *Journal of Affective Disorders*.

UNDER REVIEW

Melanie Hinojosa-Sberna, Ramon Hinojosa, and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** Identifying Barriers to College Success Among College Student Caregivers. *Research in Higher Education*.

Terrence D. Hill, Jason A. Ford, and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** Education and Pharm-Accumulation: A National Study of Race/Ethnic Variations. *Social Problems*.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. Everyday and Major Discrimination and Self-Rated Health across Ten Asian Ethnic Subgroups. *Annals of Epidemiology*.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. Discrimination and Prescription Drug Misuse: Findings from the National Survey of American Life. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr., Zubi Ahmmad, Andrew Anderson, and Tran Doan. Diminished Returns of Employment Status on Self-Rated Health among Asians and Asian Americans. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*.

IN PROGRESS

Hans Oh, **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.**, Kyle Waldman, Louis Jacob, and Lee Smith. Discrimination and 12-month headaches and backpain among Black Americans: Findings from the National Survey of American Life

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. and Tran Doan. Differences in Major Depressive Episodes Patterns between Asian Ethnicities in the United States.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. and Khary Rigg. Racial Differences in Prescription Opioid Misuse among Older Adults.

Shervin Assari and **Harvey L Nicholson Jr.** Money is a Better Equalizer than Education: Race, Socioeconomic Status, and Total Brain Volume of 9 and 10-Year-Old American Children

Shervin Assari, Ritesh Mistry, Shanika Boyce, Alvin Thomas, Mohsen Bazargan, **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.**, Ryon J. Cobb, Adolfo G. Cuevas, Daniel B. Lee, Cleopatra H. Caldwell, Marc A. Zimmermam, and Tommy Curry. Neighborhood Safety and Children's Cognitive Performance: Heterogeneities by Race and Cognitive Domain.

Di Mei, **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.**, and Minzhi Ye. Intermarriage, Pan-ethnicity, Gender, and Assimilation of Asian Americans.

GRANT ACTIVITY

“Collegiate and National Investigation of Factors Contributing to the Lack of Black Representation at All Levels in Veterinary Medicine to UF Research 2020 Call for Proposals: Advancing Racial Justice through Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access at the University of Florida.” Michael Bowie, Lisa Farina, Brittany Southern, Christopher Adin, Candice Stefanou, Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. Total requested: \$15,000. 2020. **Status: funded.**

“Racial Discrimination and Racialized Experiences among Hard-to-Reach Populations via New Survey Data. (Collaborative Multiracial Post-Election Survey [CMPS]).” Funder: College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Nicholas Vargas, Nicole Jones, and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** Total Award: \$11,000. 2020. **Status: funded.**

“Health Policy Research Scholars.” Funder: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Predoctoral Fellowship: Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. Total Award: \$120,000. 2017-2019. **Status: funded.**

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. Discrimination and Self-rated Health across Asian and Asian American Subgroups. 2020. International Association for Population Health.

Jason A. Ford, Melanie Sberna Hinojosa, and **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** Disability Status and Prescription Drug misuse among U.S. adults. 2018. Society for the Study of Social Problems. Philadelphia, PA.

Arjee Restar, Kenneth Pass, **Harvey L. Nicholson Jr.** Grant W. Harper., and Don A. Operario. systematic review of HIV research targeting men who are intimate with transgender women (MITW) in the United States: An emerging field of study. 2017. American Public Health Association. Atlanta, GA.

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. (presider) and Amy Donley. “Do Perceptions of Neighborhood Safety, Social Cohesion, and Infrastructural Quality Among Relocated Public-Housing Residents and Current Residents within a Historically Black Community Affect Residents’ Physical and Mental Health Status?” 2017. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, CA

Harvey L. Nicholson and Angela Vergara. “Factors Affecting Telemedicine Provision in Mental Health Facilities.” Graduate Research Symposium, 2017. University of Central Florida, Orlando FL

Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. “Environmental Inequalities within Low-Income and Minority Neighborhoods.” Eastern Sociological Conference. 2014. Baltimore, MD

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

SYD 3700 Minorities in American Society

- Online and face-to-face

SYO 4400 Medical Sociology

- Online

GRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT

TBA

SERVICE

Departmental Service

Committees in the Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law

- Criminology Graduate Committee Member (2020-Present)

Faculty Advisor for Undergraduate Student Organization at the University of Florida

- Health Education Literacy Association (2020-Present)

Service to the Discipline

Journal Reviewer

- Journal of Ethnicity in Substance Abuse
- Addictive Behaviors
- Drug & Alcohol Dependence
- Substance Use & Misuse
- Sociology of Race and Ethnicity
- Sociological Forum
- Population Research and Policy Review

Student Research

Masters Students

Chair, Thesis

Sierra Plotner (TBA)

- Title: Health Effects of Parents' Conversations about Race with Their Children

MEDIA EXPOSURE

90.7 WMFE: “UCF researchers look at opioid abuse in black adults”

<http://www.wmfe.org/ucf-researchers-look-at-opioid-abuse-in-black-adults/85024>

March 2018

UCF Today: “Opioid Misuse Isn't White or Black Issue”

<https://today.ucf.edu/opioid-misuse-isnt-white-black-issue/>

March 2018

College of Science News: “Ph.D. Candidate Closing the Health Gap”

<https://sciences.ucf.edu/news/ph-d-candidate-closing-health-gap/>

November 2017

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member

- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- American Sociological Association

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

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