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Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, 2019. University of Central Florida. Dissertation Title: Socioeconomic Status and Prescription Opioid Use Behaviors among U.S. Adults. Jason A. Ford, Committee Chair.

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

M.A. Sociology, 2016. Lehigh University

B.A. Sociology, 2014. West Chester University of Pennsylvania

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Florida

2019- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Substance use, medical sociology, social epidemiology, race and ethnicity, health disparities, social determinants of health

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (* student co-author)

Of citations as of August 24, 2021 (N=114, H-Index=6; source: Google Scholar)

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. and J. 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. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2017.12.006>. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence* ranked #2 in Addiction research in 2018.

Ford, Jason A., Melanie Sberna Hinojosa. Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. (2018). Disability status and Prescription Drug Misuse among U.S. Adults. *Addictive Behaviors* 85, 65-69. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addbeh.2018.05.019> *Addictive Behaviors* ranked #5 in Addiction research in 2018.

Donley, Amy 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. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0021934718799029>

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. and Jason A. Ford. (2019). Socioeconomic, 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. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.addbeh.2018.08.042> *Addictive Behaviors* ranked #5 in Addiction research in 2019.

Nicholson Jr. Harvey L. and Jolene Vincent. (2019). Gender Differences in Prescription Opioid Misuse among U.S. Black Adults. *Substance Use & Misuse* 54(5), 639-650. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/10826084.2018.1531427>

Substance Use & Misuse ranked #14 in Addiction research in 2019.

Rigg, Khary 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. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2019.01.023>.

Drug and Alcohol Dependence ranked #2 in Addiction Research in 2019.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L., James S. 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. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1177/2332649218785648>.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. (2020). Associations between Major and Everyday Discrimination and Self-Rated Health among U.S. Asians and Asian Americans. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities* (7), 262-268. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-019-00654-0>.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. (2020). Socioeconomic Status, Fundamental Cause Theory, and Prescription Opioid Use Behaviors. A Theoretical Examination. *Sociological Spectrum* 40(1), 1-32. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/02732173.2019.1707138>.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. and Di Mei*. (2020). Racial Microaggressions and Self-Rated Health among Asians and Asian Americans. *Race and Social Problems* 12, 209-218. Doi: 10.1007/s12552-020-09293-1

Oh, Hans, 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* 67 (4), 307-314. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0020764020950781>

Smith, Nicholas C.* 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* 1-18. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/13557858.2020.1814998>

Li, Yao and Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. (2021). When “Model Minorities” Become “Yellow Peril”—Othering and the Racialization of Asian Americans in the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Sociology Compass* 15(2). Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/soc4.12849>.

Oh, Hans and Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. (2021). Perceived Skin Tone Discrimination and Suicide risk among Black Americans: Findings from the National Survey of American Life. *Journal of Affective Disorders* 284(1), 143-148. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jad.2021.02.023>.
Journal of Affective Disorders ranked #6 in Psychiatry in 2021.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. and Paris B. Wheeler*. (2021). Prescription Drug Misuse among African Americans and Afro-Caribbeans: Results from the National Survey of American life. *Substance Use & Misuse* 56(7), 962-970. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/10826084.2021.1901928>. *Substance Use & Misuse* ranked #14 in Addiction in 2021.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. and Khary Rigg. (2021). Prescription Opioid Misuse among Blacks and Whites during Older Adulthood. *Addiction Research & Theory*. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1080/16066359.2021.1902508>.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. and Zobayer Ahmmad (2021). Everyday and Major Discrimination and Self-Rated Health across Ten Asian Ethnic Subgroups. *Annals of Epidemiology* 59, 5-9. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.annepidem.2021.03.011>. *Annals of Epidemiology* ranked #16 in Epidemiology in 2021.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L., Zobayer Ahmmad, Andrew Anderson, and Tran Doan* (2021). Unequal Returns of Employment on Self-Rated Health: Asian-White Differences. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-021-01050-3>. I

Assari, Shervin, Shanika Boyce, Moshen Bazargan, Alvin Thomas, Ryon Cobb, Darrell Hudson, Tommy J. Curry, Harvey L. Nicholson Jr., Adolfo G. Cuevas, Ritesh Mistry, Tabbye M, Chavous, Cleopatra H. Caldwell, and Marc A. Zimmermam. Parental Educational Attainment, Superior Temporal Cortical Surface Area, and Reading Ability among American Children: A Test of Marginalization-Related Diminished Returns. (2021). *Children*. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.3390/children8050412>.

Assari, Shervin, Shanika Boyce, Ritesh Mistry, Alvin Thomas, Harvey L. Nicholson Jr., Ryon Cobb, Darrell Hudson, Adolfo G. Cuevas, Daniel B Lee, Moshen Bazargan, Cleopatra H. Caldwell, Tommy J. Curry, and Marc A. Zimmermam. Parents' Perceived Neighborhood Safety and Children's Cognitive Performance: Complexities by Race, Ethnicity, and Cognitive Domain (2021). *Urban Science*. Doi: <https://doi.org/10.3390/urbansci5020046>. I

REVISE AND RESUBMIT (*student co-author)

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L., Paris B. Wheeler.*, and Nicholas C. Smith*. Discrimination and Prescription Drug Misuse: Findings from the National Survey of American Life. *Substance Use & Misuse*. *Substance Use & Misuse* ranked #14 in Addiction at time of submission.

Nicholson Jr. Harvey L. Black-Asian Attitudes: Black Americans' Feelings of Closeness Toward Asian People in the United States. *Sociological Spectrum*.

UNDER REVIEW

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

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. Social Determinants of Opioid Misuse. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*.

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

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

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Oh, Hans 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.

GRANT, AWARD, and FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITY

Research Grants (external)

Role: co-investigator. “Biopsychosocial mechanisms underlying the impact of structural racism and discrimination on chronic pain in Black or African American Adults.” (2021). National Institute of Health (NIH). Percent effort: 10%. Total requested: ~\$500k over 5 years. **Status: nearing submission.**

Research Grants (internal)

Role: co-investigator. “Collegiate and national investigation of factors contributing to the lack of Black representation at all levels in veterinary medicine: Measure perceptions on mattering, sense of belonging, college involvement, and socio-academic integrative experiences in order to better understand the experiences of Black veterinary students and our perceived commitment to them.” (2020). UF Research 2020 Call for Proposals: Advancing Racial Justice through Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access at the University of Florida.” Total requested: \$15,000. 2020. **Status: funded.**

Role: co-investigator. “Racial Discrimination and Racialized Experiences among Hard-to-Reach Populations via New Survey Data.” (2020). Total Award: \$11,000. 2020. **Status: funded.**

Fellowships

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

Awards

NIH Early-Stage Investigator Paper Competition: NIH Matilda White Riley Behavioral and Social Sciences Honors. Paper submitted for review: Harvey L. Nicholson Jr. (2020) Socioeconomic Status, Fundamental Cause Theory, and Prescription Opioid Use Behaviors: A Theoretical Examination. *Sociological Spectrum*. 40(1), 1-32. **Status: not awarded.**

INVITED TALKS/CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. Discrimination and Self-rated Health across Asian and Asian American Subgroups. October 19-21, 2020. International Association for Population Health. Virtual due to Covid-19.

Ford, Jason A., 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.

Restar, Arjee, 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.

Nicholson Jr., Harvey L. (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.

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

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

MEDIA

"Power in numbers: Making visible the violence against racialized women" (2021)

<https://theconversation.com/power-in-numbers-making-visible-the-violence-against-racialized-women-157749>

Sociology Compass (Li and Nicholson, 2021) on Asian American experiences during Covid-19 mention in the story

The AAPI Covid-19 Project: Research Report & Resources for Disentangling Anti-Asian Violence March (2021)

https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5e796f78a90d43267d2dbd38/t/605aedda0a239b4815f07ad0/1616571923874/ACP+Report+and+Anti-Asian+Violence+Resource+Guide_Mar2021.pdf

90.7 WMFE: "UCF researchers look at opioid abuse in black adults" (2018)

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

"Opioid Misuse Isn't White or Black Issue" (2018) <https://today.ucf.edu/opioid-misuse-isnt-white-black-issue/>

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Florida

SYD 3700 Race and Racism in the U.S. (undergraduate)

SYO 4400 Medical Sociology (undergraduate)

SERVICE

Department Service

University of Florida

- Graduate Faculty Member (2019-)
- Criminology Graduate Committee Member (2020-)
- AI and Race Search Committee for African American Studies Program (March – April 2021)
- Graduate Professional Development Seminar – Stephen Perz (September 2020)
- Graduate Population Seminar – Tanya Koropecj-Cox (September 2021)
- Graduate Publishing Seminar – Chuck Peek and Abby Fagan (April 2021)
- Graduate Student Mentor – Oluwatobi A. Alawode (January 2021 -)
- Graduate Student Mentor- Jiahui Lyu (August 2021 -)
- AI and Computational Social Science Search Committee (August 2021 -)

University and College Service

University of Florida

- Faculty Advisor, Health Educational Literacy Association (2020 -)
- Faculty Marshal, Winter Graduation (2019)
- Faculty Advisory Council (2021-2023)

Service to the Discipline

Peer-Reviewed Journal Editorial Board Member

- Society and Mental Health (2022-2025)

Journal Reviewer

- Addictive Behaviors
- Journal of Ethnicity in Substance Abuse
- Drug and Alcohol Dependence
- Substance Use & Misuse
- Sociology of Race and Ethnicity
- Social Work in Public Health
- Sociological Forum
- Population Research and Policy Review
- Social Science & Medicine
- Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities
- Social Currents

THESIS AND DISSERTATION COMMITTEES

Ph.D. Students

University of Florida

Alyssa Nunez

Role: Committee Member

M.A. Students

University of Florida

Sierra Plotner

Role: Chair

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member

- American Sociological Association
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- American Sociological Association, Medical Sociology Section

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

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