

Curriculum Vitae

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Earned Degrees

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Specialization</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date Received</u>
University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration (now the Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy, & Practice)	Social Work Policy/Research	Ph.D.	December, 1999
University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration (now the Crown Family School)	Social Work Policy	A.M.	June, 1989
St. Olaf College Northfield, Minnesota	Psychology/ Women's Studies	B.A.	May, 1982

Professional Experience

Educational Employment

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates of Service</u>
School of Social Work University of Alabama	Professor Ph.D. Program Director Interim Ph.D. Program Chair Associate Professor	2021-present 2015-2020 2014-2015 2009-2021
School of Social Welfare University at Albany State University of New York	Associate Professor (with tenure) Assistant Professor	2005-2008 1999-2005

Other Employment

Children and Family Research Center University of Illinois	Visiting Research Specialist in Social Work	1998-1999
School of Social Service Administration University of Chicago	Research Assistant/ Project Director	1995-1998
Center for the Study of Urban Inequality University of Chicago	Research Assistant Urban Family Life Study	1993-1995
Wilson Resources, Inc. Chicago, Illinois	Chicago Foster Care Evaluation Interviewer	1992-1994

Institute on Disability & Human Development University of Illinois at Chicago	Policy Analyst/Project Director	1989-1993
Chapin Hall Center for Children University of Chicago	Research Assistant	1988-1989
Parental Stress Services/CAPS Chicago, Illinois	Area Coordinator	1985-1987
Infant Formula Action Coalition (INFACT) Chicago, Illinois	Organizer	1984-1985
Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN), St. Paul, MN	Community Organizer	1982-1983

Awards and Honors

Scholarship

Faculty Award for Research, Teaching or Service, UA School of Social Work, 2022.

Inaugural Fellow, Society for Social Work and Research, 2014.

Article listed among “Influential Publications in Social Work Discourse: The 100 Most Highly Cited Articles in Disciplinary Journals: 2000-09” *British Journal of Social Work*, 2011.

Selected Participant, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Promising New Investigators Conference, Social Work Research Development Program, 2008.

Article included among national examples of social work research in: Celebrating the Tenth Anniversary of the Institute for Advancement of Social Work Research: Poster Session and Reception, Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., March 11, 2004.

Dissertation selected for presentation at the Twelfth National Symposium on Doctoral Research in Social Work, Ohio State University, 2000.

Teaching and Service

Selected for first cohort of UA Teaching Academy Faculty Fellows, 2024-2026

UA School of Social Work, Social Work Month Award for Ph.D. program service, 2021

Faculty Appreciation Award, School of Social Work Doctoral Student Organization, 2015, 2019, 2020

Faculty Appreciation Award, School of Social Work Graduate Student Association, 2018

Excellence in Academic Advising recognition, UA Academic Advisors Association, 2018, 2021

Faculty Mentor of the Year Nominee, Compact for Faculty Diversity, 2011, 2013, 2014

Influencing State Policy Contest faculty award for nomination of BSW student recipient, 2011

Awarded “Faculty Member of the Year” by the University at Albany Social Welfare Students Association, 2003, 2007, 2008

Scholarly Activity

Research interests: Child welfare services and policy; organizational and policy influences on practice; policy and service disparities and inequities; frontline practice in human service organizations

Scholarship impact:

Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=YNZ69I0AAAAJ&hl=en>

Research Grants Funded (as Principal Investigator)

Mathematica Policy Research subcontract from the US HHS/Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Office of Planning Research and Evaluation (OPRE). (2019-2021). *\$114,012*.
Feasibility of Linking Administrative Data to Better Understand Child Maltreatment Incidence and Related Risk (CMI Data Linkages) Project.

University of Alabama, Center for Community-Based Partnerships Doctoral Fellowship. (2015). *\$26,000* (for student tuition and stipend). Study title: Clarifying and Addressing Policy, Service, and Cultural Barriers to HIV/AIDS Service Access among Latinos in West Alabama.

University of Alabama, School of Social Work, Faculty Summer Research Funding (2014). *\$6,000*.
Study title: State-Level Disparities in the Social Welfare Safety Net: Implications for Practice.

The Silberman Fund Faculty Grant Program of the New York Community Trust. (2012). *\$14,541*.
Study title: Front-Line Practice and Service Delivery: Implications of State Immigration Policy

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Substance Abuse Policy Research Program (2007). *\$96,282*.
Study title: The Implementation of Evidence-Based Addiction Treatment in Community Settings

Children’s Bureau, Administration for Children Youth and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. University-Based Fellowships on Child Abuse and Neglect (2003). *\$90,568*.
with Co-Investigator Lynn Videka (The grant also supported dissertations for three doctoral students.) Study title: Safety and Permanency in Intact Families: The Interacting Effects of Social Capital and Service Use

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), National Institutes of Health (5R01-DA-015376-02)
Pilot funding in Social Work Research Development Program Award (2003). *\$16,153*.
Study title: Inter-Agency Collaboration and Effective Treatment for Child Welfare Clients

University at Albany, State University of New York
Faculty Research Awards Program (2001). *\$2,267*.
Study title: The Delivery of Home-Visiting Services after Welfare Reform

University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration
Dissertation Fellowship (1998). *\$12,000*

Children and Family Research Center, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Research Grant (1997). \$18,000.

Study title: Do Parents Control Case Progress?: A Test of Common Explanations for the Conflict between Permanency and Reasonable Efforts

National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect, Administration for Children Youth and Families, U.S.
Department of Health and Human Services. University-based Fellowships on Child Abuse and Neglect. Dissertation Research Award (1996). \$13,000

Marshall D. Rosman Scholarship
Dissertation Research Award (1995). \$3,000

Peer-reviewed publications

*designates student or former student co-author

Asamoah, P.*, Smith, B.D., Torsu, G.A. (2026). Responding to child survivors of trafficking in Ghana: Limitations of deinstitutionalization and promising alternatives. *International Journal of Child Maltreatment: Research, Policy and Practice*.

Dozier, K.*, Curington, A.M., Bell, A.*, & Smith, B.D. (2025). "Is she scared of me?": Exploring the experiences of students of color in social work practicum. *Applied Learning in Social Work Education*, 15(1).

Smith, B.D., Wang, K.*, Littleton, T., & Dinata, E. (2025). Are county-level child welfare vulnerability and protective factors associated with child welfare involvement?: An investigation of geospatial child welfare equity. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*.

Smith, B.D., & Resendez, H.* (2024). Practicing up: Teaching social work students how to challenge authority figures. *Social Work Education*.

Wang, K.*, Gu, D., Kang, S., & Smith, B.D. (2024), Older adults' online activities and cognition: Investigating the psychological mechanisms and age and gender differences. *Social Science & Medicine*.

Wang, K.*, Chen, X., Gu, D., Smith, B.D., Dong, Y., Peet, J., & Zak, J. (2024). Examining first and second-level digital divide at the intersection of race/ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status: An analysis of the National Health and Aging Trends Study. *The Gerontologist*.

Smith, N.L.*, Smith, A.M.*, Mott, A.*, & Smith, B.D. (2023). Enhancing supports for novice workers in child welfare: A study of coaching for child welfare interns. *Families in Society: The Journal of Contemporary Human Services*.

Wang, K.* & Smith, B.D. (2022). A county-level analysis of unemployment and mental health: Applying a social determinants of health framework. *Social Work in Mental Health*.

Spruill, S.A.*, Laurenson, A.*, Warner, L.A., & Smith, B.D. (2021). At the frontlines of policy implementation: Contrasting experiences of Affordable Care Act navigators. *Human Service Organizations: Management, Leadership & Governance*, 46(4), 275-292.

- Wang, K.,* & Smith, A.M.* (2021). A national study of child maltreatment reporting at the county level: Interactions among race/ethnicity, rurality, and poverty. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 122.
- Li, Q. *, Luo, Y.,* Hao, Z.,* Smith, B.D., Guo, Y.,* & Cheng, T. (2020). Risk factors of cyberbullying perpetration among school-aged children across 41 countries/WHO regions: A perspective from Routine Activity Theory. *International Journal of Bullying Prevention*, 2(3). (article withdrawn, 2022).
- Smith, B.D., & Presley, T.D.* (2019). Do surprisingly low child maltreatment rates in rural southern counties reflect lower rates of substantiation? *Children and Youth Services Review*, 107.
- Smith, B.D., Kay, E.S.,* Pressley, T. D.* (2018). Child maltreatment in rural southern counties: Another perspective on race, poverty, and child welfare. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 80, 52-61.
- Smith, B.D. (2017). Reproductive justice: A policy window for social work advocacy. *Social Work*, 62(3), 221-226.
- Smith, B.D., Kay, E.S.,* & Womack, B.G.* (2017). How can county-level maltreatment report rates better inform child welfare practice? *Children and Youth Services Review*, 79, 341-347.
- Smith, B.D., Womack, B.G.,* & Knierim, M.* (2017). Political advocacy in the context of “show me your papers”: How do human service administrators respond to policy upheaval? *Journal of Policy Practice*, 16(2), 166-186.
- Kay, E.S.,* & Smith, B.D. (2017). State-level HIV criminalization laws: Social construction of target populations? *Journal of Policy Practice*, 16(2), 133-146.
- Smith, B.D., Prichard, C.*, & Boltz, L.D.* (2016). Do child welfare realistic job preview videos reflect evidence on retention and turnover? *Children and Youth Services Review*, 71, 210-216.
- Wayne, R.H., & Smith, B.D. (2016). Threats to perceptions of fairness in the termination of parental rights. *Juvenile and Family Court Journal*, 67(4), 26-40.
(Included in: Compendium of Measures and Data Sources related to Judicial Decision-making and Hearing Quality in Child Welfare (2021), edited by The Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE), the Children’s Bureau in the Administration for Children and Families, and the American Bar Association Center on Children and the Law.)
- Smith, B.D., & Vandiver, V.L. (2016). Child welfare research and training: A response to David Stoesz. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 26, 515-518.
- Smith, B.D., & Womack, B.G.* (2016). Human service administrators’ attitudes toward immigration: Shaped by community and organizational context? *Human Service Organizations: Management, Leadership, & Governance*, 40(1), 6-21.
- Smith, B.D., & Womack, B.G.* (2015). Human service administrators’ knowledge about immigration policy: Associations with attitudes, political ideology, and organizational practices. *Families in Society*, 96(1), 67-75.

- Rajendran, K., Smith, B.D., & Videka, L. (2015). Association of caregiver social support with the safety, permanency, and well-being of children in child welfare. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 48 (1), 150-158.
- Smith, B.D., & Liu, J.* (2014). Latent practice profiles of substance abuse treatment counselors: Do evidence-based techniques displace traditional techniques? *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, 46(4), 439-446.
- Smith, B.D. (2013). Substance use treatment counselors' attitudes toward evidence-based practice: The importance of organizational context. *Substance Use & Misuse*, 48(5), 379-390.
- Lawrence, C.K., Zuckerman, M.,* Smith, B.D., & Lui, J.* (2012). Building cultural competence in the child welfare workforce: A mixed-methods analysis of the impact of training on individuals and their practice. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*, 6, 225-241.
- Smith, B.D. & Manfredi, I.T.* (2011). Frontline counselors in organizational contexts: A study of treatment practices in community settings. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, 41 (2), 124-136.
- Marsh, J.C., Smith, B.D., & Bruni, M. (2011). Integrated substance abuse and child welfare services for women: A progress review. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 33 (3), 466-472.
- Liu, J.* & Smith, B.D. (2011). Transferring training to child welfare practice: Individual and collective efforts. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 33 (1), 149-156.
- Testa, M.F., & Smith, B.D. (2009). Child maltreatment prevention and drug treatment. *The Future of Children*, 19 (2), 147-168.
- Smith, B.D. (2008). Methamphetamines and child welfare: Review and research agenda. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*, 2(4), 511-529.
- Smith, B.D. (2008). Service plan compliance in child welfare: Perceptions of biological parents and their caseworkers. *Families in Society: The Journal of Contemporary Social Services*, 89(4), 521-532.
- Smith, B.D., Duffee, D.D., Steinke, C.M.,* Huang, Y.,* & Larkin, H. (2008). Outcomes in residential treatment for youth: The role of early engagement. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 30(12), 1425-1436.
- Strolin, J., McCarthy, M., Smith, B.D., Caringi, J., Bronstein, L., & Lawson H. (2008). Should I stay or should I go? A comparison study of intention to leave among public child welfare systems with high and low turnover rates. *Child Welfare*, 87(4), 125-143.
- Smith, B.D. & Mogro-Wilson, C.* (2008). Inter-agency collaboration: Policy and practice in child welfare and substance abuse treatment. *Administration in Social Work*, 32(2), 5-24.
- Smith, B.D. & Mogro-Wilson, C.* (2007). Multi-level influences on the practice of inter-agency collaboration in child welfare and substance abuse treatment. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 29(5), 545-556.

- Smith, B.D. (2005). Parental employment and home-visiting service delivery. *Family Preservation Journal*, 8, 65-81.
- Smith, B.D. (2005). Job retention in child welfare: Effects of perceived organizational support, supervisor support, and intrinsic job value. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 27(2), 153-169.
- Marsh, J.C. & Smith, B.D. (2005). Commentary on “Client-service matching in substance abuse treatment for women with children.” In Alexander, L. B., & Solomon, P. (Eds.), *The research process in the social services: Behind the scenes*. Brooks/Cole.
- Smith, B.D. & Donovan, S.E.F.* (2003). Child welfare practice in organizational and institutional context. *Social Service Review*, 77(4), 541-563.
(Listed among “Influential Publications in Social Work Discourse: The 100 Most Highly Cited Articles in Disciplinary Journals: 2000-09” *British Journal of Social Work* (2011), p. 1-18.)
- Smith, B.D. (2003). How parental drug use and drug treatment compliance relate to family reunification. *Child Welfare*, 82(3), 335-365.
- Smith, B.D. (2003). After parental rights are terminated: Factors associated with exiting foster care. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 25(12), 965-985.
- Smith, B.D. & Testa, M.F. (2002). The risk of subsequent maltreatment allegations in families with substance-exposed infants. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 26(1), 97-114.
(*Child Abuse & Neglect* published an editorial about this article: Jones, D.P.H. (2002). Editorial - Parents with substance abuse problems and their infants. *Child Abuse and Neglect*, 26(1), 93-95.)
- Smith, B.D. & Marsh, J.C. (2002). Client-service matching in substance abuse treatment for women with children. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, 22(3), 161-168.
- Smith, B.D. (2002). Evaluating federally-funded child welfare training partnerships: A worthwhile challenge. *Journal of Health and Social Policy*, 15(3/4), 189-201.
- Marsh, J.C., D’Aunno, T.A. & Smith, B.D. (2000). Increasing access and providing social services to improve drug abuse treatment for women with children. *Addiction*, 95(8), 1237-1247.
(Also included among national examples of social work research in: Celebrating the Tenth Anniversary of the Institute for Advancement of Social Work Research: Poster Session and Reception, Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., March 11, 2004.)
- Smith, B.D., Marsh, J.C. & D’Aunno, T. (Spring 1998). Child welfare and substance use: Findings from a collaborative services program in Illinois. *The Source*. Berkeley, CA: National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center.

Book Chapters

- K Wang, K., Chen, X.S., Gu, D., Smith, B.D., Dong, Y., Peet, J.Z. (2025). Examining first and second-level digital divide at the intersection of race/ethnicity, gender, and socioeconomic status: An analysis of the National Health and Aging Trends Study. Chapter 10 in *ICT Use and Healthy Longevity: Empirical Data and Perspectives*, Springer Nature.

- Maguire-Jack, K., Smith, B.D., & Spilsbury, J. (2022). Rural and urban considerations in the United States. In Korbin, J.E. & Krugman, R.D. (Eds.) *Handbook of Child Maltreatment* (2nd Ed.). New York: Springer.
- Smith, B.D. (2013). Serving families with co-occurring challenges. Pp. 185-200. In Briar-Lawson, K., McCarthy, M., & Dickinson, N. (Eds.) *The Children's Bureau: Shaping a century of child welfare practices, programs, and policies*. Washington, D.C.: NASW Press.
- Smith, B.D. (2009). Service technologies and the conditions of work in child welfare. Pp. 253-268. In Y. Hasenfeld (Ed.) *Human Services as Complex Organizations* (2nd Ed.). Newbury Park, CA: Sage Publications.
- Warner, L.A. & Smith, B.D. (2007). Approaches to teaching social policy. In V. Fokine & R. Toseland (Eds.) *Social work and social work education abroad: Comparative analysis in Russia and the U.S.A.* (also translated into Russian). Moscow, Russia: Russian Academy of Education.
- Smith, B.D. (2000). Child welfare and substance abuse: Toward partnerships with parents and communities. In Sallee, A., Lawson, H. & Briar-Lawson, K. (Eds.), *Innovative practices with vulnerable children and families*. Eddie Bowers Publishing Company.

Book Reviews

- Jennifer A. Reich. (2005). *Fixing Families: Parents, Power and the Child Welfare System*. New York: Routledge. *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, 69(2), April 2007, 552-553.
- Neil Gilbert, ed. (1997). *Combating Child Abuse: International Perspectives and Trends*. New York: Oxford University Press. *Social Service Review*, 72 (3), September 1998, 423-425.

Participant, Community Member, and Technical Reports

- Smith, B.D., Asamoah, P., & Bell, A. (2026). Child Maltreatment Reporting in Rural Alabama Counties: Participant Report. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama School of Social Work.
- Bell, A., Nwatu, U., Abshire, A., & Smith, B.D. (2025). Faculty and Student Experiences with the University of Alabama School of Social Work Simulation Lab: Update. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama School of Social Work.
- Smith, B.D., Bell, A., Abshire, A. (2024). Faculty and Student Experiences with the University of Alabama School of Social Work Simulation Lab. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama School of Social Work.
- Smith, B.D. (2022). University of Alabama School of Social Work's Title IV-E-Supported Coaching Model Focus Groups Report. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama School of Social Work.

- Smith, B.D., & Li, Q. (2021). UASSW- Final Report: Appendix E. In Esposito, A. M., Wulsin, C. M., Pranschke, L., Burwick, A., & Nickman, R. *Linking Administrative Data to Improve Understanding of Child Maltreatment Incidence and Related Risk and Protective Factors: A Feasibility Study*, OPRE Report #2021-251. Washington, DC: Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
- Smith, B.D., & Womack, B.G. (2013). Alabama Human Services and Immigration Policy Study: Report to Participants. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama School of Social Work.
- Smith, B.D. (2009). Participant Report: Substance Abuse Treatment Study. Tuscaloosa, AL: University of Alabama School of Social Work.
- Smith, B.D. (2004). Is considering a new job related to actually taking a new job?: Findings from the Linking Study. Albany, NY: Social Work Education Consortium.
- Marsh, J.C., D'Aunno, T. & Smith, B.D. (1998). The DASA/DCFS Initiative: An evaluation of integrated services for substance using clients of the Illinois public child welfare system. Chicago: School of Social Service Administration.
- Testa, M.F. & Smith, B.D. (1997). The substances and families survey: Final summary report. Chicago: School of Social Service Administration.
- Heller, T., Smith, B.D., Kopnick, N. & Braddock, D. (1993). The Illinois Home-Based Family Support Services Program evaluation: Final report. Chicago: Institute on Disability and Human Development, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Refereed Conference Presentations

- Asamoah, P.,* Bell, A.,* Littleton, T., & Smith, B.D. (2026). Who takes the call? Practice discretion in child maltreatment reporting. Society for Social Work and Research annual conference. Washington, D.C. ,January 16, 2026.
- Bell, A.G.,* Smith, B.D., Ticozzi, M.,* & Sahoo, S.* (2026). Positively powerful: A scoping review exploring the connection between positive childhood experiences and mental health outcomes in children and adolescents. Society for Social Work and Research annual conference. Washington, D.C. ,January 16, 2026.
- Smith, B.D., Littleton, T., & Bell, A.* (2025). Counties with fewer than 1,000 child maltreatment reports: Enigmas and opportunities. Society for Social Work and Research annual conference. Seattle, Washington, January 19, 2025.
- Smith, A.M.,* & Smith, B.D. (2025). Sad, Angry and Numb: Black College Students' Experiences Following Incidents of Police Violence. Society for Social Work and Research annual conference, Seattle, Washington, January 19, 2025.
- Abura, G.,* & Smith, B.D. (2025). A systematic review of the effectiveness of mental health interventions for depression and anxiety among adolescents in Sub-Saharan Africa. Society for Social Work and Research annual conference, Seattle, Washington, January 18, 2025.
- Bell, A.*, Abshire, A.,* & Smith, B.D. (2024). "Free to make mistakes": Faculty members' use of a simulation lab for social work education. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Kansas City, Missouri, October 27, 2024.

- Smith, B.D., Abura-Meerdink, G.*, & Abshire, A.* (2023). Opportunities and risks in the use of simulation labs for child welfare education. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Atlanta, Georgia, November 27, 2023.
- Smith, A.M.*, & Smith, B.D. (2023). Body camera evidence in police killings: Race, region, and implications for social work. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Atlanta, Georgia, November 29, 2023.
- Smith, B.D., Wang, K.*, & Littleton, T. (2023). Are county-level child welfare risk and protective factors associated with child welfare involvement?: A multi-level investigation of child welfare equity. *Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference*, Phoenix, Arizona, January 12, 2023.
- Wang, K.*, & Smith, B.D. (2023). Older adults' information and communication technology use and cognitive function: An investigation of the underlying mechanisms (poster). *Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference*, Phoenix, Arizona, January 13, 2023.
- Smith, N.L.*, Smith, A.M.*, Mott, A.*, & Smith, B.D. (2022). Could a supervisor be more like a coach?: An evaluation of child welfare coaching (poster). *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Anaheim, California, November, 2022.
- Littleton, T., Kubanga, K.P.* & Smith, B.D. (2022). Intersectionality at the macro level: Challenges facing rural, majority Black, Southeastern counties. *Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January, 2022.
- Smith, A.M.*, Prowell, A.N.*, & Smith, B.D. (2022). “An hour of being able to breathe”: Coaches for students in child welfare placements (poster). *Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January, 2022.
- Smith, B.D., & Li, Q.* (2021). A national study of social association and child maltreatment reporting at the county level: Implications for social distancing (poster). *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Virtual Event, January, 2021.
- Dinata, E.M., & Smith B.D. (2021). Organizational correlates of child maltreatment: An institutional analysis of child welfare administrative structure. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Virtual Event, January 20, 2021.
- Li, Q.*, & Smith, B.D. (2021). Moderating Effects in the Association between Substance Use and Adolescent Delinquency. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Virtual Event, January 20, 2021.
- Smith, B.D., Li, Q.*, & Wang, K.* (2020). A national study of child maltreatment risk and reporting at the county level: New revelations about rural counties. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January 17, 2020.
- Li, Q.*, Ozturk, B.* & Smith, B.D... (2019). A cross-sectional study of cyberbullying perpetration risk factors among children: International perspectives. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Denver, October 25, 2019.

- Lee, M.Y., Franklin, C., Smith, B.D., & Zippay, A. (2019). Successfully navigating your future on the academic job market. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Denver, October 26, 2019.
- Smith, B.D., Li, Q.,* & Pressley, T.* (2019). Are surprisingly low child maltreatment rates in rural, majority African-American counties related to substantiation? *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. San Francisco, January 18, 2019.
- Spruill, S.* & Smith, B.D. (2019). Personal transformation and policy knowledge in volunteer and paid human service positions. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. San Francisco, January 18, 2019.
- Li, Q.,* & Smith, B.D. (2019). Ecological risk factors associated with adolescent delinquency in the United States: A systematic review of the literature. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. San Francisco, January 20, 2019.
- Smith, B.D., Nelson-Gardell, D., & Maynard, Q.* (2018). Opportunities to acquire post-MSW practice experience in a social work Ph.D. program. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Orlando, November 11, 2018.
- Boltz, L.D.,* & Smith, B.D. (2018). Sense of responsibility: Roles of caseworkers and foster parents in health care. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Orlando, November 11, 2018.
- Cunningham-Williams, R., Franklin, C., Lee, M.Y., Lightfoot, E., Maramaldi, P., & Smith, B.D. (2018). A doctoral student's guide to career planning and the academic job market. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Orlando, November 9, 2018.
- Smith, B.D., & Kay, E.S.,* (2018). Child maltreatment in rural southern counties: Another perspective on race, poverty and child welfare. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January 14, 2018.
- Smith, B.D., & Boltz, L.D.* (2018). Is county-level social capital associated with child maltreatment report rates? *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January 10, 2018.
- Smith, B.D., Kay, E.S.,* & Womack, B.G.* (2017). How can county-level child maltreatment report rates better inform child welfare practice? *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Dallas, Texas, October 21, 2017.
- Smith, B.D. (2017). Reproductive rights and reproductive justice: A policy window for social work advocacy. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Dallas, Texas, October 21, 2017.
- Bertram, J.M.,* & Smith, B.D. (2017). Grand Challenges and the UN Sustainable Development Goals: Opportunities to engage. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Dallas, Texas, October 22, 2017.
- Austin, M., Guerrero, E., McBeath, B., Hopkins, K., Mosley, J., & Smith, B. D. (2017). Building capacity for human service managerial and organizational research: A facilitated workshop connecting theory, methodology, and practice. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. New Orleans, January 15, 2017.

- Durkin, K.,* Smith, B.D., Durkin, D., Herzog, J., & Pryce, J. (2017). The Role of self-efficacy in child welfare workers' Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) training and practice. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. New Orleans, January 15, 2017.
- Smith, B.D., & Prichard, C.* (2016). Do child welfare “realistic” job previews reflect evidence on retention and turnover? *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Atlanta, Georgia, November 4, 2016.
- Kay, E.S.* & Smith, B.D. (2016). Expanding HIV/AIDS outreach services to the Latino community. (Poster). *National Conference on Social Work and HIV/AIDS*, Minneapolis, Minnesota, May, 2016.
- Smith, B.D., & Kay, E.S.,* & Womack, B.G.* (2016). Excluding the poor: State-level disparities in safety net program access. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January 16, 2016.
- Smith, B.D., & Womack, B.G.* (2015). Human service administrators’ attitudes toward immigration: Shaped by community and organizational context? *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*, Denver, October 18, 2015.
- Smith, B.D., & Knierim, M.* (2015). Political advocacy in the context of “Show me your papers”: How do human services administrators respond to policy upheaval? *Policy Conference 2.0*, Austin, Texas, May 29, 2015.
- Kay, E.S.* & Smith, B.D. (2015). Sick, impoverished, and criminal: How state criminalization laws target socially-marginalized populations. (Poster). *National Conference on Social Work and HIV/AIDS*, New Orleans, May, 2015.
- Smith, B.D., Knierim, M.,* & Womack, B.G.* (2015). Political advocacy in the context of “Show me your papers”: How do human services administrators respond to policy upheaval? *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, New Orleans, January 19, 2015
- Warner, L.A. & Smith, B.D. (2015). A comparative case Study of ACA navigators: Enrollment activities in hostile and supportive state policy contexts. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, New Orleans, January 17, 2015.
- Womack, B.G.,* & Smith, B.D. (2015). TANF income eligibility thresholds and time to adoption. (Poster.) *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. New Orleans, January 17, 2015.
- Womack, B.G.,* & Smith, B.D. (2015). Age of child, preadoptive relationship and time to adoption from foster care. (Poster.) *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, New Orleans, January 18, 2015.
- Smith, B.D., & Womack, B.G.* (2014). On the frontlines of immigration reform: Forms of practice discretion. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, San Antonio, Texas, January 19, 2014.

- Womack, B.G.* & Smith, B.D. (2014). Human service organizations and immigration reform: Administrators' knowledge about immigration policy. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, San Antonio, Texas, January 19, 2014.
- Smith, B.D. (2013) Transforming practice at the frontlines: Client-focused uses of practice discretion. (Poster). *European Conference for Social Work Research*, Jyväskylä, Finland, March 21, 2013.
- Smith, B.D., (2013). Implementing research-informed techniques in substance abuse treatment: More likely among social workers? *European Conference for Social Work Research*, Jyväskylä, Finland, March 22, 2013.
- Smith, B.D., & Manfredi, I.T.* (2013). When evidence meets a higher power: Implementing evidence-based practices in traditional treatment settings. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, San Diego, January 19, 2013.
- Liu, J.* & Smith, B.D. (2012). A latent profile analysis of the implementation of evidence-based practices in community substance abuse treatment settings. *5th Annual NIH Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation*, Washington, D.C., March 19, 2012.
- Smith, B.D. & Liu, J.* (2012). Technical and social influences on frontline practice: Do cohesive organizational environments hinder change? *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January 14, 2012.
- Rajendran, K., Smith, B.D., & Videka, L. (2012). The role of social support and service use in promoting permanence among children in the child welfare system. (poster). *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., January 13, 2012.
- Smith, B.D., & Liu, J.* (2011). Social ties and treatment practices: Does cohesiveness promote tradition and hinder change? (poster) *Addiction Health Services Research Conference*, Fairfax, Virginia, October 4, 2011.
- Smith, B.D., Pincham, J.,* & Manfredi, I.T.* (2011). Frontline workers' attitudes toward evidence-based practice: Shaped by organizational context? *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, Tampa, Florida, January 13, 2011.
- Smith, B.D., & Manfredi, I.T.* (2010). Treatment practices in community settings: The role of practitioner beliefs and organizational conditions. *Addiction Health Services Research Conference*, Lexington, KY, October 26, 2010.
- Smith, B.D., Manfredi, I.T.,* & Taylor, J.* (2010). Targeting incentives to influence practice in community-based substance abuse treatment. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, San Francisco, CA, January 14, 2010.
- Liu, J.,* & Smith, B.D. (2010). Transferring training to child welfare practice: Individual and collective efforts. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*, San Francisco, CA, January 16, 2010.
- Smith, B.D., & Manfredi, I.T.* (2009). Which incentives can best promote evidence-based practice in substance abuse treatment? (poster). *Addiction Health Services Research Conference*, San Francisco, CA, October 29, 2009.

- Smith, B.D. & Reger, P. (2009). Strengths orientation in child welfare: The role of organizational conditions in change over time. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. New Orleans, LA, January 16, 2009.
- Wayne, R. & Smith, B.D. (2009). How do judges decide to terminate parental rights?: A qualitative analysis of court documents. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. New Orleans, LA, January 16, 2009.
- Lawrence, C., Zuckerman, M.* & Smith, B.D. (2009). Building cultural competence in the child welfare workforce: A mixed-methods analysis of the impact of training on individuals and their practice. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. New Orleans, LA, January 16, 2009.
- Smith, B.D. (2008). Organizational culture and climate as influences on practice in substance abuse treatment. *Addiction Health Services Research Conference*. Boston, Massachusetts, October 21, 2008.
- Smith, B.D. & Steinke, C.M.* (2008). Need-service matching in residential treatment centers for youth. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. Washington, D.C., January 18, 2008.
- Smith, B.D. & Steinke, C. M.* (2007). Substance abuse among youths in residential treatment: Are needs matched to interventions? *Addiction Health Services Research Conference*. Athens, Georgia, October 17, 2007.
- Duffee, D.E., Smith, B.D., Steinke, C.,* Huang, Y.,* & Larkin, H. (2007). Service outcomes in residential treatment for youth: Self-fulfilled prophecy of early treatment engagement? *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Annual Meeting*. Seattle, Washington, March 14, 2007.
- Smith, B.D. & Mogro-Wilson, C.* (2006). Inter-agency collaboration in child welfare and substance abuse: Dream or reality? *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*. Chicago, Illinois, February 18, 2006.
- Smith, B.D., McCarthy, M., Kim, H.S.* (2005). Clarifying the relationship between social work education and child welfare job retention: Perceptions of job satisfaction and job value. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*. New York, New York, February 28, 2005.
- Smith, B.D. & Marsh, J.C. (2005). Service matching, number and access: Aspects of service integration in substance abuse and child welfare. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. Miami, Florida, January 15, 2005.
- Videka, L., Smith, B.D., Lee, E., & Smith, E.G. (2005). Advanced seminar in children's services research: Teaching advanced research skills to doctoral students. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. Miami, Florida, January 14, 2005.
- Smith, B.D. (2004). Child welfare practice in organizational context. (Poster.) *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. New Orleans, Louisiana. January 16, 2004.

- Marsh, J.C. & Smith, B.D. (2003). Organizational and service factors influencing access to health and social services for substance abusing women with children: A multi-level analysis. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. Washington, D.C., January 17, 2003.
- McCarthy, M., Smith, B.D., Case, R., & Ligouri, J. (2002). Participatory research as a vehicle for program and policy change. *The Policy Conference*. Charleston, South Carolina, June 17, 2002.
- Smith, B.D. & Marsh, J.C. (2002). Client-service matching in substance abuse treatment for women. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. San Diego, California, January 18, 2002.
- Smith, B.D. (2001). The substance-exposed infant allegation: Its surprising relationship to family reunification from foster care. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. Atlanta, Georgia, January 20, 2001.
- Smith, B.D. (2000). Parental drug use, treatment compliance and reunification: Client classifications and the common wisdom in child welfare. *Twelfth National Symposium on Doctoral Research in Social Work*. Columbus, Ohio, April 14, 2000.
- Smith, B.D. (2000). Why does drug treatment compliance increase the likelihood of reunification? *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*. New York, New York, February 28, 2000.
- Smith, B.D. (2000). Parents' satisfaction with their child welfare case workers: How does it relate to placement outcomes? *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. Charleston, South Carolina, January 30, 2000.
- Smith, B.D. (1999). Clean and dirty drops: Assessing compliance with child welfare reunification requirements. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*. San Francisco, California, March 13, 2000.
- Smith, B.D. (1999). Parent-child reunification in cases involving parental substance use: Service integration, policy and practice. *Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference*. Austin, Texas, January 23, 1999.
- Smith, B.D. (1998). Subsistence strategies of poor mothers involved with child protective services. *University of Wisconsin Women's Studies Conference*. EauClaire, Wisconsin, October 30, 1998.
- Testa, M.F. & Smith, B.D. (1998). Perinatal substance use and the risk of child maltreatment. *National Resource Center on Child Maltreatment National Symposium on Child Maltreatment and Substance Abuse*. San Antonio, Texas, June 23, 1998.
- Smith, B.D. (1998). Do drugs delay permanency?: Parental substance use and child welfare case duration. *Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting*. Orlando, Florida, March 9, 1998.
- Heller, T., Smith, B.D. & Kopnick, N. (1993). Findings from the evaluation of the Illinois Home-Based Family Support Services Program. *The American Association on Mental Retardation Annual Conference*. Washington, D.C., June, 1993.

Invited Presentations

- Smith, B.D. (2022). Examining child maltreatment reports using linked county-level data. Panelist in webinar: Linking Administrative Data to Improve Understanding of Child Maltreatment Incidence and Related Risk and Protective Factors: A Feasibility Study. Sponsored by US HHS, Office of Planning Research and Evaluation (OPRE) and Mathematica Policy Research. September 6, 2022.
- Smith, B.D. (2020). Advancing socially just services for children, youth, and families. Panelist. Social Work for Social Justice: Creating Responsive and Inclusive Institutions, Policies and Practices. Centennial Symposia Series. University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration, October 7, 2020.
- Smith, B.D. (2020). Examining child maltreatment reports using linked county-level data. Meeting of Child Maltreatment Incidence Data Linkages Funded Projects with Mathematica Policy Research and U.S. Administration on Children and Families, Office of Planning Research and Evaluation (OPRE). May 22, 2020.
- Smith, B.D. (2019). Linking data to reveal perplexing patterns in child maltreatment reporting. Research Rounds, University of Alabama, School of Social Work, September 23, 2019.
- Slack, K., & Smith, B.D. (2019). Making contributions as social work scholars in an academic context. Group for the Advancement of Doctoral Education in Social Work (GADE) Break-out session. GADE annual conference, Los Angeles, CA, April 4, 2019.
- Smith, B.D. (2016). Discussant: Effects of kinship diversion on child health and behavior problems (Wu & Testa). Kinship Summit sponsored by the Child Welfare League of America, Kinship Navigator, and the University at Albany, September 23, 2016.
- Smith, B.D. (2015). Policy practice: Ideas for field. University of Alabama Field Supervisors Spring In-Service Meeting, Tuscaloosa, January 5, 2015.
- Smith, B.D. & Womack, B.G. (2014). Immigration policy: What do Alabama human services providers think? University of Alabama School of Social Work Faculty Exchange, March 19, 2014.
- Smith, B.D. (2010). Clarifying the risk of subsequent maltreatment in families with substance-exposed infants. *Drugs, Pregnancy and Parenting: What the Experts in Medicine, Social Work, and Law Have to Say*. Conference at the University of Alabama Birmingham sponsored by the National Advocates for Pregnant Women and the Alabama Women's Resource Network. Birmingham, AL, October 15, 2010.
- Smith, B.D. (2010). Going through the motions or feeling engaged?: Challenges for parents and caseworkers. *Ninth Annual Fall Social Work Conference*, University of Alabama and the Alabama Department of Human Resources. Tuscaloosa, AL, August 26, 2010.
- Smith, B.D. (2010). What might help practitioners in community settings use practices supported by evidence?: Behind the scenes of a recent study. University of Alabama School of Social Work Faculty Exchange, March 24, 2010.
- Smith, B.D. (2010). Challenges at the frontlines: Will child welfare practice ever be innovative, evidence-based, or family-centered? University of Wisconsin, School of Social Work. Madison, WI, February 18, 2010.

- Smith, B.D. (2010). Accountability, outcomes, and external pressures: Consequences for child welfare practice. Dane County child welfare staff in-service meeting. Madison, WI, February 17, 2010.
- Smith, B.D. (2010). Strengths orientation in child welfare: Why is it so hard to maintain? What might help? Southern Training Partnership. Madison, WI, February 17, 2010.
- Smith, B.D. (2009). Findings from the substance abuse treatment study. New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Treatment staff meeting. November, 24, 2009.
- Smith, B.D. (2009). Focusing on client strengths: The role of work climates. *Eighth Annual Fall Social Work Conference*, University of Alabama School of Social Work and the Alabama Department of Human Resources. Montgomery, AL, August 28, 2009.
- Smith, B.D. (2009). Can theory inform policy incentives to influence frontline practice?: An example from substance abuse treatment. School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago, Chicago, February 12, 2009.
- Smith, B.D. (2009). Clarifying the risk of subsequent maltreatment in families with substance-exposed infants. *Drugs, Pregnancy and Parenting: What the Experts in Medicine, Social Work, and Law Have to Say*. Conference at New York University sponsored by the National Advocates for Pregnant Women. New York, NY, February 11, 2009.
- Testa, M.F. & Smith, B.D. (2008). Prevention and drug treatment. *Future of Children*, Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect Authors' Conference. Princeton, NJ, October 17, 2008.
- Smith, B.D., Duffee, D.D., Steinke, C.M., Huang, Y., & Larkin, H. (2007). Outcomes in residential treatment for youth: The role of early engagement. The SOAR Conference: Involving Practitioners in Evidence about Their Own Practice, Albany, NY, November 2, 2007.
- Smith, B.D. (2005). Inter-agency collaboration in substance abuse and child welfare: Beliefs, intention and behavior. *Promising New Investigators Conference*. NIDA Social Work Research Development Program, Columbia University. New York, NY, April 2005.
- Smith, B.D. (2005). Inter-agency collaboration: Policy and practice in substance abuse and child welfare. *International Social Work Research Symposium*. Albany, NY, June 2005.
- Marsh, J.C., D'Aunno, T.A., & Smith, B.D. (2004). Increasing access and providing social services to improve drug abuse treatment for women with children. Poster invited by the Institute for the Advancement of Social Work Research (IASWR). Social Work Research: Building Knowledge for a Strong and Healthy Nation, Poster Session and Reception, Dirksen Senate Office Building, March 11, 2004.
- Smith, B.D. (2003). Organizations and the adoption of evidence-based practices. Practice Research Network, Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Providers of New York State, Syracuse, NY, June 2003.
- Smith, B.D. (2000). Recent changes in child welfare policy: Myth and ceremony? Tuesday Policy Lunch, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, April 2000.

Smith, B.D. (1998). Perspectives on permanency and substance use: From administrative data to the street level. The State of Permanency in Illinois, Children and Family Research Center, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL, June 26, 1998.

Podcasts

2020- In Social Work Podcast Series: University at Buffalo School of Social Work. Recording of a discussion about, “A national study of child maltreatment reporting at the county level: Interactions among race/ethnicity, rurality, and poverty.

2015 - Practice and Research Together (PART): Using Evidence to Promote Excellence in Child Welfare. Recording of a discussion about the article, “Association of caregiver social support with the safety, permanency, and well-being of children in child welfare. With Khushmand Rajendran and Lynn Videka.

Other Research Activities

Evaluator. University of Alabama Title IV-E Training Program. (Funded by UA School of Social Work Title IV-E training grant.) 2011-present.

Evaluation consultant. Expanding the Family Circle. Child welfare training to promote cultural competence and family-centered practice (University at Albany project funded by U.S. Children’s Bureau). 2006-2008.

Evaluation team member. Co-location of Substance Abuse Counselors in Public Child Welfare Settings. Collaborators: University at Albany Center for Human Services Research, New York State Office of Children and Family Services, and New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse, 2006-2007.

Faculty Fellow. University at Albany Professional Development Program. A collaboration involving the development of a study to assess the transfer and use of training content in child welfare practice, 2006-2008.

Team member and co-investigator. Service Outcomes Action Research in Residential Treatment Centers for Youth: A Practice-Research Partnership. Collaborators: University at Albany School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany School of Social Welfare, St. Anne Institute, and the LaSalle School, 2006-2008.

Advisory panel member. New York Social Work Consortium, Curriculum review committee, Common Core Training for Caseworkers, Child Welfare/Child Protective Services, New York State Office of Children & Family Services, 2002-2004.

Service

Professional:

External consultant, Centers for Disease Control, Research Priorities for Child Abuse and Neglect, 2024
Treasurer/board member, Group for the Advancement of Doctoral Education (GADE), 2017-2020

Society for Social Work and Research, Social Policy Committee Member, 2016-2021

Expert consultant, State Child Abuse and Neglect (SCAN) State Policies Database, Mathematica Policy Research and Child Trends, 2021

Expert consultant, Regional Partnership Grants, National Cross-Site Evaluation sponsored by the
Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families & Mathematica Policy Research, 2020
External reviewer/Site visitor, University of South Carolina Social Work Ph.D. Program, 2019
Facilitator, Doctoral Scholars Institute, Network on Social Work Management, 2017, 2019
Reviewer, Outstanding Dissertation Award, Society for Social Work & Research,
2002-2009, 2018-2026
Reviewer, conference abstracts, Society for Social Work and Research, 2005-2009, 2011-present
Reviewer, conference abstracts, Council on Social Work Education, 2017
Reviewer, conference abstracts, American Public Health Association, 2005
Guest article writer, NASW New York State, *Update*, April 2000, "Adoption and Foster Care"

Tenure and promotion external reviews:

2020s

University of Connecticut, School of Social Work
Florida State University, School of Social Work
University of Michigan, School of Social Work
University of California- Berkeley, School of Social Welfare
University of Pittsburgh, School of Social Work
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, School of Social Work
University of Texas-Arlington, School of Social Work
Indiana University, School of Social Work
University of Chicago, Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy, and Practice
University of Minnesota, School of Social Work
University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare
Ohio State University, College of Social Work
East Carolina University, School of Social Work
Canada Research Chair
Borough of Manhattan Community College

2010s

University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare
Ohio State University, College of Social Work
Portland State University, School of Social Work
Tulane University, School of Social Work
University of Kentucky, College of Social Work
West Virginia University, Eberly College of Arts and Sciences
New York University, Silver School of Social Work
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) Helen Bader School of Social Welfare
Louisiana State University (LSU) School of Social Work
University of Alabama-Birmingham (UAB) Department of Social Work

Grant review panels:

Reviewer, FY 2022 Secondary Analyses of Data on the National Incidence of Child Maltreatment
HHS-2022-ACF-OPRE-FA-0149. Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, Administration
for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Panel chair, Discretionary Grant Review, FY2005 Secondary Analysis of Data in Child Abuse and
Neglect. Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families,
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Journal service:

Co-Editor-in-Chief, *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal* (2025-2028 term)
Guest Co-Editor for special issue on rural child maltreatment, *Child Maltreatment* (2026)
External Review Board, *Social Service Review* (2015-present)
Editorial Board Member, *Human Services Organizations: Management, Leadership & Governance* (2015-present)
Consulting Editor, *Families in Society* (2004-2017)
Consulting Editor, *Social Work* (2003-2011)
Reviewer, *Children & Youth Services Review* (2002- present)
-Received Certificate for Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing, May 2018
Guest reviewer, *Child Abuse & Neglect* (2004, 2007-present)
Guest reviewer, *Journal of Public Child Welfare* (2008 - present)
Guest reviewer, *Child & Family Social Work* (2012, 2017-present)
Guest reviewer, *Affilia*, 2021-2022
Guest reviewer, *Journal of Social Work Education*, special issue on doctoral education (2017)
Guest reviewer, *Social Inclusion* (2018)
Guest reviewer, *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research* (2016)
Guest reviewer, *Social Service Review* (1998, 2002, 2006-present)
Guest reviewer, *Child Abuse Review*, 2017
Guest reviewer, *Journal of Policy Practice*, 2016
Guest reviewer, *Oxford University Press* (2006, 2010, 2013)
Guest reviewer, *Harm Reduction Journal* (2009)
Guest reviewer, *Australian Social Work* (2008)
Guest reviewer, *Drug and Alcohol Dependence* (2007)
Guest reviewer, *Journal of Studies on Alcohol and Drugs* (2007)
Guest reviewer, *Child Maltreatment* (2006, 2007)
Guest reviewer, Special issue of *Child Welfare* (June 2004)
Guest reviewer, *Justice System Journal* (2004, 2007)
Guest reviewer, *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment* (2003)
Guest reviewer, *Journal of Social Service Research* (2000-2002)
Guest reviewer, *Journal of Health & Social Policy*, *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment* (2000)

Member and Fellow, Society for Social Work and Research

Member, Council on Social Work Education

University level:

University of Alabama:

Chair, Dean of the Graduate School and Associate Provost Search Committee, 2026

Elected member, Faculty Senate, 2023-present

Steering Committee, 2026-present

Community and Legislative Affairs Committee, 2023-present (chair 2026-present)

Provost-appointed Faculty Liaison to the Faculty Grievance & Medication Committee, 2022-2025

Elected member, Graduate Council, 2017-2020; Appointed member, 2020-2023

Policy Committee, 2018-present; Sub-committee chair, 2022-2023

Scholarships Committee, 2017-2018

Member, Alabama Transportation Institute Five-Year Review Committee, 2022

Organizer, Southeastern Conference Faculty Travel Award visit, October 2021

Chair and Organizer, Planning Committee for Panel on Environmental Justice: Research, Networking and Conversation across Disciplines, October, 2019

Member, Dean of the Graduate School and Associate Provost Search Committee, 2015-2016
 Member, Graduate Student Strategic Enrollment Planning Committee, 2016-2017
 Reviewer, Center for Community Based Partnerships Graduate Fellowships, 2017-2020
 Judge, Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition semi-finals, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018
 Member, Continuity of Instruction Planning Committee, 2015- 2016
 Judge, University Fellows Experience, Honors College poster symposium, 2016
 Alternate member, Graduate Council, 2014-2017
 Alternate/ Substitute, Research Associate Deans Committee, 2014-2015
 Member, Non-Medical Institutional Review Board (IRB), 2010-2012
 Member, Equal Opportunity Committee, 2009-2012
 Participant, Faculty member review of Academic Department Annual Assessment Reports, 2011
 Alternate delegate, Faculty Senate, 2009-2010

University at Albany:

Faculty Fellow, Professional Development Program, 2005-2008
 Member, Dean Search Committee, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, 2005-2006
 Member, Faculty Library Liaison Committee, 2006 & 2008
 Member, Advisory Group, Working with Alcohol and Substance Affected Families, Professional Development Program, June 2000

School level:

University of Alabama School of Social Work:

Chair, Associate Dean for Students Services Search Committee (2025)
 Chair, Rank, Tenure, and Promotion Committee (2022-2023)
 Chair, Faculty and MSW Program Director Search Committee (2022-2023)
 Chair, Faculty Award for Research, Teaching, or Service Committee (2023)
 Program Lead, School of Social Work Program Review (2023)
 Chair and Member, Ph.D. Program Director Search Committee (chair 2020; member 2024)
 Chair and Member, Ph.D. Program Committee (chair 2014-2020; member 2012-present)
 Member, Faculty Search Committee (2009-2010; 2011-2012, 2021, 2023-2024)
 Member, Strategic Plan Advisory Committee, 2021-2022
 Member, Dean Search Committee, School of Social Work (2020)
 Chair, Buford Peace Award Selection Committee, 2020
 Chair, Dean Search Committee, School of Social Work (2013-2014)
 Chair, Faculty Search Committee (2016)
 Member, Rank, Tenure and Promotion Committee (2009-present)
 Member, International Programs Task Force (2019-present)
 Member, Textbook Committee (2023-2024; 2025-2026)
 Member, Student Scholarships Committee (2015-2020)
 Member, Research Committee (2018-2024)
 Convener, Ad-hoc Research Committee (2017-2018)
 Member, Student Scholarship Committee for Washington, D.C. Internships and Fly-In (2009-2018)
 Facilitator, Ad-hoc Student Grade Grievance (2012-2013, 2016)
 Member, Field Advisory Committee (2011-2015)
 Member, BSW Program Committee (2011- 2014)
 Member, MSW Program Committee (2009-2011; 2023-2024)
 Member, Buford Peace Award Selection Committee, 2011
 Chair, Policy Practice Competency-Based Curriculum Sub-Committee (2009-2010)
 Member, Public Relations Committee (2009-2010)
 Member, Ad-hoc Student Scholarship Committee (2012)

Presenter/Organizer, Doctoral Student Workshops: Job Market 101; Advanced Job Market; Submitting Quality Abstracts to Academic Conferences (2017-present)

Co-Presenter, University of Alabama's Smoke-Free Policy, Faculty/Staff Exchange (2015)

University at Albany School of Social Welfare:

Member, MACRO Concentration Task Force (1999-2008), Co-Chair (2003-2008)

Member, Admissions Committee (2000-2002, 2006-2008), Chair (2006-2008)

Member, Ph.D. Committee (2004-2008)

Member, Strategic Planning Committee (2006-2008)

Member, Ad-hoc Student Scholarship Committee (2003-2008)

Member, Field Committee (2004-2006)

Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee (2003-2005)

Member, Curriculum Committee (2002-2004)

Member, Student Grievance Committee (1999-2003)

Member, Human Diversity Committee (1999-2002, 2008), Co-Chair (2000)

Member, Personnel Committee (1999-2000)

Junior Faculty Mentor (2005-2008)

Advisory Board Member, Center for Human Services Research (2005-2008)

Presenter, Field Institute, October 28, 2003, "Linking 'Macro' to Practice and Field"

Presenter, Doctoral Student Brown Bag Lunch, October 30, 2002, "Participatory Research: Opportunities and Challenges"

Presenter, Hallym University student visit, 2000 and 2001, "Child Welfare Policy in the United States"

Presenter, Child Welfare tele-course, October 2000, "Challenges in Reunification Decisions"

Community:

Volunteer grant reviewer, Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention, 2024 & 2025

Tornado relief volunteer, Hands on Birmingham, 2011

Volunteer consultant, Alabama Women's Resource Network, 2010-2011

Board member, The Music Mobile (Building Peaceful Communities through Music), 2005-2008

Board member, Addictions Care Center of Albany, 2003-2008

Awarded "Board Member of the Year" 2005

Board member, Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless, 2000-2004

Curriculum review committee, Common Core Training for Caseworkers, Child Welfare/Child Protective Services, New York State Office of Children & Family Services, 2001

Research consultant, Department of Family Medicine, Albany Medical Center, Spring 2001

Teaching

University of Alabama Courses

MSW program courses:

Social Welfare Policy: Advanced Policy Analysis

Social Welfare Policy

Social Work Practice in Child Welfare and Family Services

Social Work Practice in Communities and Organizations

BSW program courses:

Research for Social Work Practice

Social Welfare Policy and Services

Ph.D. program courses:
Social Work and the Welfare State
Seminar in Doctoral Education
Mixed Methods Research

University at Albany Courses

Master's program courses:
Women and Social Policy
Macro Practice in Social Work I (Practice in Organizations)
Macro Practice in Social Work II (Practice in Communities)
Human Behavior in the Social Environment
Research Methods in Social Welfare Management

Ph.D. program courses:
Social Welfare Policy Proseminar
Applied Research Seminar on Children's Services (with Lynn Videka)

Faculty supervisor, "Katrina Relief: One Year Later,"
Student-organized independent study and service trip, Spring 2007

Faculty co-facilitator, "Poverty Policy Seminar"
Student-organized doctoral seminar, Fall 2005

University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration Courses

Social Intervention: Research and Evaluation, Lecturer, 1996 & 1997
Social Intervention: Research and Evaluation, Teaching Assistant & Computer Lab Instructor,
1994 & 1995
Social Intervention: Programs and Policies, Teaching Assistant, 1995

University of Alabama Doctoral Dissertation Committees

Committee Chair

"Positive Childhood Experiences and Emotional Endurance: An Explanatory Sequential Mixed-Methods Study of the Moderating Influence of Workplace Connectedness" Andrea Bell

"Hearing what is not seen: Exploring the emotional experiences of former foster care workers" Melissa Ticozzi

"Encounters with Police Violence: Exploring the Lived Experiences of Black College Students" Angela M. Smith (defended May, 2024)

"A Community Engaged and Mixed Methods Approach to Exploring and Assessing Adolescent Mental Health and Psychosocial Needs for School Based Settings in Sub-Saharan Africa." Gloria Akello Abura-Meerdink (defended May 2024)

"Microfinance as a Strategy to Promote Women's Empowerment in Botswana" Kefentse Kubanga (defended October, 2023)

"Information and Communication Technology Use among Older Adults: An Investigation of Underlying Mechanisms of Connections to Cognitive Function" Kun Wang (defended May, 2022)

- “Diffusion of Responsibility in Assuring Health Care for Foster Children” Laura Boltz (chair, defended July, 2020)
- “Exploring the Associations between Substance Abuse/Misuse and Adolescent Delinquency: A Disadvantageous Ecological Perspective” Qingyi Li (chair, defended March 2020)
- “Health Care Payer Type and HIV Health: A Retrospective Analysis: Emma Sophia Kay (chair, defended November 2017)
- “Non-profit Advocacy: State Legislators’ Perceptions” Matthew Knierim (chair, defended February 2017)
- “Understanding Efforts to Instill Family-Centered Practice in Child Welfare” Bethany G. Womack (chair, defended June 2017)
- “Attitudinal Professionalism of Social Work License Holders in China” Ning Tang (chair, defended November 2016)
*Recipient of the 2014 GADE Student Award for Leadership and Service
- “Paternal Self-Efficacy of Non-residential Low-Income Fathers” Kenneth Ulmer (chair, Degree awarded posthumously, May 2016)
- “Parent Involvement in Special Education and the Response of School Social Work” Jessica D. Pincham (chair, defended December 2015)
- “Perceived Barriers to Mammography Screening among African American Women in Mississippi” Shani K. Collins (chair, defended September 2014)
- “Perceived Psychosocial Barriers to Internet Use among Older Adults” Brian Maloney (chair, defended June 2014)

Committee Member

- “‘I Look Different and People Stare:’ Exploring the Psychosocial Experiences of an Individual Living with a Congenital Facial Visible Difference: An Autoethnographic Study.” Nicole Bugella (defended March, 2026).
- “Attorney Interpretations of Law and Policy Regarding Military Families with Dependents Experiencing Disabilities.” James Meadows (defended June, 2024)
- “A Qualitative Case Study of the Implementation of the Trauma Systems Therapy Project of Tuscaloosa County” Kelly E. Bolton (defended April, 2024)
- “Exploring the rates of childhood vulnerabilities and their association with mental health symptoms among female survivors of human trafficking in Ghana: The moderating role of social support.” Violet Nkwanzu (defended February, 2023)
- “Posttraumatic Stress and Exposure to Violence among Refugee Children and Youth in Tanzania” Edson Chipalo (defended January, 2023)

- “Shining a Light on the Fatal Link between COVID-19, Intimate Partner Violence, and Intimate Femicide for Women in Alabama” Amber Sutton (defended May, 2022)
- “Sibling Abuse and the Intergenerational Cycle of Violence: Connecting the Experience of Sibling Abuse to Interpersonal Violence Victimization: A Qualitative Study Proposal.” Carin Ikenberg (defended August 2021)
- “The Processes of Supportive Relationships as a Resilience Factor: Towards a Culturally Responsive Construct” Ashley Prowell (defended June 2021)
- “Unheard Stories from Middle Eastern Immigrant Female IPV Survivors: A Qualitative Study” Burcu Ozturk (defended, October 2020)
- “Three Studies of Child Welfare Worker Turnover: Insights from Job Embeddedness Theory” Yonah Drazen (external member, University of Wisconsin student, defended December 2019)
- “Who’s In, Who’s Out: A Descriptive Analysis of Demographic and Contextual Factors Related to Labor Force Participation Among Older Adults” Nyshetia White-Chapman (defended February 2018)
- “The Effect of Complex Trauma on Children in the Child Welfare System” Katelyn Ullmer Reed (defended August 2016)
- “Gay Straight Alliances in the Deep South: A Grounded Theory Study” Sarah R. Young (defended June 2016)
- “Improving the Quality of Life of Foster Children Living with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder” Kristy M. Durkin (defended May 2016)
- “A Grounded Theory Study of Collaboration in Multidisciplinary Teams Responsible for Child Abuse Investigations” Teresa H. Young (defended January 2015)
- “An Examination of Social Capital as a Delinquency Protective Factor for Youth Living in Impoverished Neighborhoods” Julie Taylor Hopkins (defended August 2014)
- “Exploring Community and Individual-Level Strain as Predictors of Suboptimal HIV Primary Care Appointment Adherence: The Importance of Place” D. Scott Batey (defended October 2013)
- “Old Age Support to Parents and Parents-in-Law in Contemporary China” Allison Li (defended April 2013)
- “Secondary Trauma of Child Welfare Workers” Dennis Weiss (defended March 2011)

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- “Two Sources of Child Care Support and Their Relationship to Employment among Low-Income Mothers: An Analysis of the Fragile Families and Well-Being Study”
Manrong Chen (chair, defended January 2013).

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- “The Role of Organizational Commitment in Practitioner Implementation of Evidence-Based Practices in Substance Abuse Treatment Settings” Irene Manfreda (chair, defended March 2010)

“Child Welfare Services and Child Safety Outcomes: Can an Empowerment-Oriented Service Approach Be an Alternative to a Risk-Oriented Service Approach?” Hae Sung Kim (chair, defended March 2005)

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“The Experiences of Women with Children Participating in a Supported Housing Program” Eleanor Jaffee (defended June 2012)

“Effects of Perceptions of Child Maltreatment and Actual Maltreatment on Later Life Substance Abuse.” Laura Elwyn (defended January 2011)

“Perception of Organizational Climate: Its Direct and Indirect Impacts on Youth in Residential Treatment Centers” Yufan Huang (Criminal Justice) (defended December 2008)

“An Exploratory Study of the Best Interests of the Child in State Termination of Parental Rights Cases in Connecticut” Raymie Wayne (defended October 2008)

“The Effect of Maternal Childhood Victimization on Parenting Attitude and Behavior” Nina Esaki (defended April 2008)

“Gender and Developmental Differences in Relation to the Effects of Child Sexual Abuse” Bonnie Kenaley (defended May 2007)

“Measuring Empowerment for Incarcerated Women: Effects of a Phase-Oriented Intervention Model.” Kate H. DeCou (defended May 2005)

“Holding the Lives of Battered Women in Their Hands: Domestic Violence Liaisons and the Family Violence Option.” Judy Postmus (defended April 2002)

“The Image of Social Work in U.S., U.K. and Canadian Newspapers.” Elizabeth Misener - (defended April 2001)

Other Teaching

McNair Scholars Mentor for Jade Watters (2011-2013)

Watters, J. & Smith, B.D. (2013). Grandparent caregivers: Making plans for the future placement of their grandchildren. *University of Alabama McNair Scholars Journal*, 13.

University Fellows Experience, Honors College

Understanding Poverty Course (member of interdisciplinary teaching team), 2014

Faculty mentor and sponsor, 2015

Poster reviewer/judge, 2016

University Fellows Magnum Opus Project advisor for MPA student Braden Hopkins, 2025

Tide Together mentor for psychology Ph.D. student Ramya Manikkan, 2022-2023

Tide Together mentor for psychology Ph.D. student Regina George, 2021-2022

Research mentor for Honors Student, Sarah Spruill, 2017-2019

Emerging Scholars Mentor for Abigail Laurenson, 2018-2019

Emerging Scholars Mentor for Caroline Pritchard, 2015-2016

Doctoral Scholars Mentor in the Compact on Faculty Diversity/Southern Regional Education Board

Angela Smith, 2021-2024

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Jessica Pincham King, 2013-2015

Shani Collins, 2012-2014