

Lailea J Noel, PhD

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EDUCATION

- 2016 Doctorate in Philosophy, Washington University in St Louis
Brown School of Social Work
- 1993 Masters of Arts, The University of Chicago
School of Social Service Administration
- 1990 Bachelor of Arts, University of Michigan

GRANTS

- 2014-2016 Doctoral Training Grant in Oncology Social Work (\$40,000)
American Cancer Society
(One of four doctoral students nationally to receive award)
Dissertation Title: *A Phenomenological Approach to Understanding How Women
Make Breast Cancer Treatment Decisions Within the Context of Communities*

FACULTY POSITION

- 2020 (Aug) - present Assistant Professor (tenure track)
University of Texas at Austin
Steve Hicks School of Social Work
- 2020(Aug) – present Affiliate Faculty Appointment
Dell Medical School LIVESTRONG Cancer Institutes
- 2020(Aug) – present Affiliate Faculty Appointment
Dell Medical School Department of Health Social Work
- 2019-2020 Faculty Research Fellowship
University of Texas at Austin
Steve Hicks School of Social Work
Hogg Foundation for Mental Health
Dell Medical School LIVESTRONG Cancer Institutes
- 2018-2019 Donald D Harrington Visiting Faculty Fellowship
University of Texas at Austin
Steve Hicks School of Social Work
Collaborator: Dell Medical School LIVESTRONG Cancer Institutes
- 2016-2019 Assistant Professor (tenure track)
New York University, Silver School of Social Work

SELECTED CANCER ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

- 2000-2002 Administrative Director, Bone Marrow Transplantation Program
The Comprehensive Cancer Center, University of Michigan
- 1998-2000 Manager, Community and Corporate Health
Oakwood Healthcare System, SE Michigan
- 1996-1998 Area Executive Director, SE Michigan Region
American Cancer Society

- 1995-1996 Manager of Cancer Control Programs, City of Chicago
American Cancer Society
- 1994-1995 Field Representative, City of Chicago, American Cancer Society

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2019-2020 **Faculty Research Fellow**
University of Texas at Austin
Hogg Foundation for Mental Health
Collaborator: Texas Health and Human Services All Texas Access Team
Title: Understanding the System of Care Surrounding Mental Health Services
Delivery and Service Delivery for Rural Texas
(Principal Investigator: Lailea Noel, PhD)
- 2018-2020 **Faculty Research Fellow**
University of Texas at Austin
Steve Hick's School of Social Work
- Funded by the Donald D Harrington Fellowship Program (YR 1)
Dell Medical School LIVESTRONG Cancer Institutes (YR2)
Title: Engaging Community-Academic Partnerships: The Influence of
Psychosocial Determinants on Equitable Transitions of Cancer Care Services
(Principal Investigator: Lailea Noel, PhD)
- 2016-2019 **Research Faculty Co-Investigator**
New York University, Langone Medical Center
- Funded by The Welters Breast Outreach and Patient Navigation Program
Title: Racial disparities in breast cancer outcomes: The influence of
socioeconomic determinants on treatment decision making
(Principal Investigator: Joe Ravenell, MD)
- 2011-2015 **Research Assistant**
Washington University in St Louis
- A community-based participatory research (CBPR) approach to improving
breast cancer services for African American women living in North St Louis
(Principal Investigator: Sarah Gehlert, PhD)
- 2012-2014 **Research Assistant**
Washington University School of Medicine
- Patient Navigator Program for Medical Oncology, Siteman Cancer Center
(Principal Investigator: Sarah Gehlert, PhD)
- 2013-2014 **Research Assistant**
Washington University School of Medicine
- Patient-centered readmissions prevention: Using community stakeholder
engagement to improve transitions of care between the hospital and community
settings (Principal Investigator: Elna Nagasako, MD, PhD, MPH)

PUBLICATIONS

Noel, L., Phillips, F, Tossas-Milligan, K, Spear, K, Vanderford, N. L., Winn, R. A., Vanderpool, R. C., & Eckhardt, S. G. (2019). Community-Academic Partnerships: Approaches to Engagement. *American Society of Clinical Oncology Educational Book*, 39, 88-95.

Noel, L., Goodman, M., Connors, S.K., Butler, D., McMullen, R., Oliver, C., McCullough, I. & Gehlert, S. (2015) Improving breast cancer services for African American women living in St Louis. *Breast Cancer Research and Treatment*, 154(1), 5-12.

Connors, S.K., Goodman, M., **Noel, L.**, Chavakula, N., & Gehlert, S (2015). Breast cancer treatment among African American women in North St Louis, Missouri. *Journal of Urban Health*, 92(1), 67-82.

Gehlert, S., **Noel, L.**, Goodman, M., Connors, S.K., Butler, D., McMullen, R., Oliver, C., & McCullough, I. (2014). *Addressing the African American and White breast cancer mortality disparity in St Louis* [White Paper].

Gehlert, S., Moro, T, & **Noel, L.** (2014). The family with socioeconomic or cultural issues. In D. Kissane (Ed.), *Family grief therapy* (Chapter 18). London: Routledge Press.

PRESENTATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED)

Noel, L., Acquati, C. *Reducing Racial and Economic Inequality for All: The Contribution of Oncology Social Work Research*. Symposium for the 2020 meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington DC, January 15-19, 2020. <Convener and Facilitator>

Falk, D., **Noel, L.**, and Acquati, C. *Depression, Anxiety, and Compliant Breast Cancer Screening: Results from the Health Information National Trends Survey 5, Cycle 2*. Symposium for the 2020 meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington DC, January 15-19, 2020.

Noel, L., and Aquati, C. *Early-Career Oncology Social Work Scholars: Building and Cultivating a Network of Peers*. Presentation for the 2019 meeting of the Association of Oncology Social Work, Tucson, AZ June 4– June 8, 2019.

Noel, L., Phillips, F, Tossas-Milligan, K, Spear, K, Vanderford, N. L., Winn, R. A., Vanderpool, R. C., & **Eckhardt, S. G (presenting author)**. Community-Academic Partnerships: Approaches to Engagement. American Society of Clinical Oncology. Chicago, IL, June 1-June 3, 2019

Noel, L. *Racial disparities in breast cancer outcomes: The influence of socioeconomic determinants on treatment decision making*. Presentation for the 2018 meeting of the Association of Oncology Social Work, Atlanta, GA, May 30 – June 1, 2018.

Noel, L. *Racial disparities in breast cancer outcomes: The influence of socioeconomic determinants on treatment decision making*. Presentation for the 2017 *American Association for Cancer Research Conference on The Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved*. Atlanta, GA, September 25-28, 2017.

Noel, L. *Motivators and barriers to treatment initiation for African American women with breast cancer: Women share their experiences*. Presentation for the 2017 meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA, January 11-15, 2017.

Noel, L. *Exploring participatory health decision making and increased breast cancer treatment initiation for medically marginalized women*. Presentation for the 2017 meeting of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, San Diego, CA, March 29 - April 1, 2017.

Noel, L., Nagasako, E., Schenk, E., & Gehlert, S. *The impact of social determinants of health on patient-defined post-discharge goals: Implications for health social work*. Presentation for the 2016 meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington DC, January 13- 27, 2016.

Noel, L., & Gehlert, S. *Using narrative analysis to explore health disparities*. Presentation for the 2016 meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington DC, January 13-17, 2016.

Billiot, S., Walton, Q., & **Noel, L.** *Community-Based Participatory Research Methods with Communities of Color: A Skills Workshop*. Presentation for the Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Tampa, FL, October 23-26, 2014.

Noel, L., & Gehlert, S. *Improving Breast Cancer Services for African American Women Living in St Louis: Survivors Tell Their Story*. Presentation for the 2014 meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Antonio, TX, January 15-19, 2014.

Noel, L., Goodman, M., Connors, S.K., Butler, D., McMullen, R., Oliver, C., McCullough, I., & Gehlert, S. *Identifying system-level barriers to breast cancer treatment which lead to health disparities for vulnerable communities: A qualitative approach*. Presentation for the American Association for Cancer Research 2013 Conference on The Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, Atlanta, GA, December 6-9, 2013.

Connors, S.K., Goodman, M., **Noel, L.**, Chavakula, N., & Gehlert, S. *Treatment Delay among African American Women in St Louis, Missouri*. Presentation for the American Assoc. for Cancer Research 2013 Conference on The Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, Atlanta, GA, December 6-9, 2013.

Bollinger, S., **Noel, L.**, Gehlert, S. & Shon, E. *The Impact of Psychosocial Variables on Breast Cancer Subtype and a Proposed, Multi-level Intervention*. Presentation for the 2013 meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Diego, CA., January 16-20, 2013.

COMMUNITY SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- 2020 **Invited Guest Speaker**, Livestrong Foundation
iCon Global EQ Equity in Cancer Care Think Tank. July 9, 2020
- 2019 **Invited Guest Speaker**, The University of Texas at Austin
Steve Hicks School of Social Work, Ethics Panel on Lessons Learned from Working with Vulnerable Populations. April 5, 2019
- 2019 **Invited Guest Speaker**, The University of Texas at Austin
Donald D Harrington Fellows Symposium, Amarillo, TX. April 2, 2019
- 2019 **Invited Guest Speaker**, The University of Texas at Austin
Dell Medical School LIVESTRONG Cancer Institute Research Retreat
November, 28, 2019
- 2018 **Invited Guest Speaker**, New York University, Langone Medical Center
Women of Color and Breast Health Conference, Welters Breast Outreach and Patient Navigation Program. September 15, 2018
- 2018 **Invited Guest Speaker** NYU Silver Zelda Program Fellows 2017-2018.
Engaging Academic and Community Partners to Address Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Breast Cancer Mortality Rates. January 24, 2018
- 2017 **Invited Guest Speaker** NYU Silver Zelda Program Fellows 2016-2017.
Engaging Academic and Community Partners to Address Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Breast Cancer Mortality Rates. April 26, 2017
- 2017 **Invited Guest Speaker and Mentor** *Tips for the Academic Job Search*, National Chapter of the American Cancer Society Doctoral Social Work Training Institute, Presentation to the 2015-2016 Doctoral Student Fellows in Oncology Social Work, New Orleans, LA, January 9, 2017

- 2016 **Invited Guest Speaker** NYU Medical School Beatrice Welters Breast Health Outreach and Navigation Program, Breast Cancer Awareness Pancake Breakfast, New York, NY October 19, 2016
- 2014 **Invited Guest Speaker**, *Neighborhoods and Health Care Utilization Supports and Barriers to Breast Cancer Treatment Initiation*, American Cancer Society Making Strides Kickoff Breakfast, St Louis MO, September 2014
- 2014 **Invited Guest Speaker**, *Communities and Healthcare: Breast Cancer Prevention*, Diva Hat Society of St Louis Ladies' Luncheon, East St Louis, IL, August 2014
- 2014 **Invited Guest Speaker**, *Continuity of Breast Cancer Treatment Services for African American Women Living in Segregated Communities*, American Cancer Society Making Strides Kickoff Breakfast, East St Louis/Belleville, IL, August 2014
- 2013 **Invited Guest Lecturer**, *The Use of Participatory Observation in Qualitative Health Research*, Center for Community Engaged Research, Health Street, Washington University School of Medicine, May 15, 2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Texas at Austin, Steve Hicks School of Social Work

2020-present **Instructor**, MSW Program, *Human Behavior in the Social Environment I & II*

New York University, Silver School of Social Work

2016-2018 **Instructor**, MSW Program, *Human Behavior in the Social Environment I & II*
Instructor, BSW Program, *Human Behavior in the Social Environment I & II*

Washington University in St Louis, Brown School of Social Work

Fall 2015 **Invited Guest Lecturer**
Doctoral Program, *Seminar in Social Work Theory and Knowledge*
Lecture: Positioning Your Research within a Conceptual Framework

Fall 2015 **Invited Guest Lecturer**
MPH/MSW Program, *Research Methods for the Social Sciences*
Lecture: Using Qualitative Research Methods to Explore Social and Economic Determinants of Health Care Utilization

Spring 2015 **Invited Guest Lecturer**
MPH/MSW Program, *Social Work Practice and Service In Health Care*
Lecture: Transitions of Care Models Under the Affordable Care Act: Linking Health Care and Communities

Fall 2013 **Invited Guest Lecturer**
MPH/MSW Program, *Research Methods for the Social Sciences*
Lecture: An Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods

Fall 2013 **Invited Guest Lecturer** MPH/MSW Program *Human Diversity*
Lecture: Research with Diverse Minority Communities

Fall 2012 **Invited Guest Lecturer**
MSW Program, *Principles in Clinical Intervention in Health*
Lecture: CBPR to Improve Breast Cancer Outcomes

Fall 2012 **Teaching Assistant**
MPH/MSW Program, *Research Methods for the Social Sciences*

Spring 2012 **Teaching Assistant**
MSW Program, *Social, Economic & Political Environment*

AWARDS/HONORS

2019 Awarded, Donald D Harrington Visiting Faculty Fellowship
University of Texas at Austin

2014 Nomination, Mary McLeod Bethune Leadership Award for
Outstanding Graduate Student, Washington University in St Louis

2013 Nomination, Excellence in Teaching Award for Teaching Fellows
Washington University in St Louis

2012 Awarded, Dean's Travel Fellowship, University of Pittsburg
School of Social Work, Center on Race and Social Problems
Summer Institute: "Reducing Racial Cancer Disparities"

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (UT Steve Hicks School of Social Work)

2020 – present Executive Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (UT Campus)

2020 – present Health Equity Strategic Plan for Research Working Group (Co-Chair)
University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School
Department of Health Equity

2020 – present Clinical and Prevention Research Working Group
University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School
LIVESTRONG Cancer Institutes

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (National)

2019 – present Membership Committee
Diversity and Inclusion Sub-Committee
National Chapter of the Association of Oncology Social Work (AOSW)

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (Local/State)

2020 – present Grant Reviewer
Komen Foundation for Central and East Texas

2019 – present Membership Committee
Bastrop County Breast Cancer Coalition

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (NYU Silver School of Social Work)

2017 – 2018 Executive Committee

2017 – 2018 Bachelor of Science in Social Work Program Advisory Committee

2017 – 2018 Committee on Academic Integrity

2018 – 2018 Silver Student Awards Selection Committee

ACADEMIC JOURNAL MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

2018 – present Journal of Psychosocial Oncology

2017 – present Global Social Welfare Journal

SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ABSTRACT REVIEWER

2017 – present Society for Behavioral Medicine

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)
Association of Oncology Social Work (AOSW)
Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR)
Society for Behavioral Medicine (SBM)
American Society for Clinical Oncology (ASCO)

MENTORING STUDENTS (NYU Silver School of Social Work)

2017 - 2019 Maria-Beatriz Alvarez, Committee Member PhD Candidate 2020
2016 - 2018 Meredith Rudin, DSW Candidate 2018, Capstone Committee Member