

Jonathan D. Shaffer, Ph.D. – Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL PROFILE

I study global health organizations, social movements, and their struggles over scientific knowledge. I received my Ph.D. in Sociology from Boston University in August of 2022, was a Hecht-Levi Postdoctoral Fellow in Global Infectious Disease Ethics at the Johns Hopkins University Berman Institute & the Wellcome Centre for Ethics and Humanities at the University of Oxford, and am currently Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of Vermont.

EDUCATION

- 2016 - 2022 **Ph.D. in Sociology, Boston University**
Dissertation: *NCDs Between North and South: The Double Standards of a Single Category*
Subfields: *Global & Transnational Sociology, Medical Sociology, Science and Technology Studies*
Committee: Joseph Harris, Ph.D., MPA (*advisor*); Alya Guseva, Ph.D.; Daniel Kleinman, Ph.D.;
Ashley Mears, Ph.D.; Japonica Brown-Saracino, Ph.D. (*chair*)
Methodological Training:
- Qualitative methods: extended case ethnography and in-depth interviewing
- Quantitative methods: regression (OLS & MLE), network analysis (block models & ERGM)
- 2005 – 2009 **B.Sc. in Biomedical Engineering, Northwestern University**
Focus: Biomaterials and Biotechnology
Minor in Global Health

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Aug. 2023 **Assistant Professor of Sociology**
- Present University of Vermont
- Sept. 2022 **Hecht-Levi Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Global Infectious Disease Ethics**
- Aug. 2023 The Johns Hopkins University Berman Institute of Bioethics & the
Wellcome Centre for Ethics and Humanities at the University of Oxford

MAJOR AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2017 **National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship**
The NSF GRFP is a prestigious three-year fellowship funding and supporting my doctoral research; \$34,000 stipend and \$12,000 tuition honorarium per year for three years (total: \$138,000).
- 2021, 2020,
2019, 2018 **Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University**
Awarded for being amongst Harvard's top-rated Teaching Fellows in Spring 2019 and 2018 from work in Gen Ed 1093 and SW25.
- 2022 **ASA Junior Theorists Symposium Presenter**
Selected to participate in the 2022 ASA Junior Theorists Symposium, presenting a theory paper based on my dissertation.

2023

ASA Junior Theorists Symposium Organizer

Selected to lead and organize the 2023 Junior Theorists Symposium.

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Knowledge, boundaries, and bodies: Social construction between medical sociology and science and technology studies

Shaffer, Jonathan D. (2021). "Knowledge, Boundaries, and Bodies: Social Construction between Medical Sociology and Science and Technology Studies." *Sociology Compass* (May 2020):1–10. <https://doi.org/10.1111/soc4.12924>
[wileyonlinelibrary.com/journal/soc4](https://www.wileyonlinelibrary.com/journal/soc4)

The Lancet NCDI Poverty Commission: Bridging a Gap in Universal Health Coverage for the Poorest Billion

Bukhman, G., Mocumbi, A. O., Atun, R., Becker, A. E., Bhutta, Z., Binagwaho, A., ... Shaffer, J. D. (2020). The Lancet NCDI Poverty Commission: bridging a gap in universal health coverage for the poorest billion. *The Lancet*, 6736(20), 1–54. [https://doi.org/10.1016/s0140-6736\(20\)31907-3](https://doi.org/10.1016/s0140-6736(20)31907-3)

The origins of the 4 × 4 framework for noncommunicable disease at the World Health Organization

Schwartz, L. N., Shaffer, J. D., & Bukhman, G. (2021). The origins of the 4 × 4 framework for noncommunicable disease at the World Health Organization. *Social Science and Medicine - Population Health*, 13. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssmph.2021.100731>

Human capital, risk and the World Bank's reintermediation in global development

Hunter, Benjamin M. and Jonathan D. Shaffer. (2021). "Human Capital, Risk and the World Bank's Reintermediation in Global Development." *Third World Quarterly* 0(0):1-20. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01436597.2021.1953980>

Comparing Disciplinary Engagement in Global Health Research across the Social Sciences

Harris, Joseph and Jonathan D. Shaffer. 2022. "Comparing Disciplinary Engagement in Global Health Research across the Social Sciences." *Social Science Quarterly* 1–16.

Preparing Doctors in Training for Health Activist Roles: A Cross-Institutional Community Organizing Workshop for Incoming Medical Residents

Emery, Eleanor H., Jonathan D. Shaffer, Danny McCormick, Jessica Zeidman, Sophia R. Geffen, Predrag Stojicic, Marshall Ganz, and Gaurab Basu. 2022. "Preparing Doctors in Training for Health Activist Roles: A Cross-Institutional Community Organizing Workshop for Incoming Medical Residents." *MedEdPORTAL* 1–7. https://doi.org/10.15766/mep_2374-8265.11208

BOOK REVIEWS

Shaffer, Jonathan. Review of Sawhney, Harmeet; Ekbia, Hamid R., *Universal Access and Its Asymmetries: The Untold Stories of the Last 200 Years*. H-Sci-Med-Tech, H-Net Reviews. May, 2023. <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=58874>

Shaffer, Jonathan. Review of *Africanizing Oncology: creativity, crisis, and cancer in Uganda*, by Marissa Mika. *Africa: The Journal of the International African Institute*, vol. 92 no. 3, 2022, p. 393-394. *Project MUSE* muse.jhu.edu/article/858914.

PUBLIC MEDIA

Biden should use emergency powers to license Covid-19 vaccine technologies to the WHO for global access

STAT News | Shaffer, Jonathan. March 25th, 2021. <https://www.statnews.com/2021/03/25/biden-use-emergency-powers-license-covid-19-vaccines-for-global-access/>

Donald Trump and Kim Jong Un: authoritarian love in the time of TB

STAT News | Shaffer, Jonathan. November 19, 2018. <https://www.statnews.com/2018/11/19/donald-trump-kim-jong-un-tuberculosis/>

The De-socializing of Jim Kim?

Somatosphere | Shaffer, Jonathan. 2018. The De-socializing of Jim Kim? Somatosphere. <http://somatosphere.net/2018/02/the-de-socializing-of-jim-kim.html> (accessed February 13, 2018)

Symposium on Global Health and the Social Sciences: Conference Report

The Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future | Shaffer, Jonathan. 2018. Symposium on Global Health and the Social Sciences: Conference Report. The Frederick S. Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future. <http://www.bu.edu/pardee/files/2018/07/Global-Health-Social-Sciences-Pardee-Report.pdf> (accessed September 6, 2018)

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

October, 2017	Vocation and Practice in Global Health Dartmouth College Hanover, NH	Nov, 2016	Guest Lecture in Intro to Sociology Boston University Boston, MA
September, 2017	Guest Lecture in Medical Sociology Boston University Boston, MA	Oct, 2016	Guest Lecture in Medical Sociology Boston University Boston, MA
November, 2015	How to think about the right to health movement George Washington University Wash, DC	April, 2015	Organizing for Health: People, Power, and Change Global Engagement Summit Evanston

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

The Material of Biopolitics: Comparing Struggles for COVID Vaccine Access with the AIDS Treatment Movement

August 19th, 2023 | American Sociological Association Annual Meeting – Philadelphia, PA, USA

Enacting Real Utopias for Health

July 21st, 2022 | SASE Conference – Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Making Mundane Maladies: Noncommunicable Diseases and the Social Determinants of Knowledge

August 18th, 2020 | 4S/EASST Conference – Prague, Czech Republic, transitioned to Zoom due to COVID-19.

Modeling Mundane Maladies: Noncommunicable Diseases and the Social Determinants of Knowledge

October 19th, 2019 | ASA Sociology of Development Conference – University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN, USA

Global Health and the Social Sciences: Symbolic Struggle and the Academic Field

August 10th, 2019 | American Sociological Association Annual Meeting – New York, NY, USA

Reassembling Global Health: Re-wiring Material & Symbolic Exclusions in Service of Expanded Health Rights

June 30th, 2019 | Law and Society Association Annual Meeting – Washington, DC, USA

Global Health and the Social Sciences: Symbolic Struggle and the Academic Field

April 6th, 2019 | National Conference for Physician-Scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Michigan

Global Health Delivery as a Field of Struggle: Noncommunicable Diseases and the Biopolitics of Exclusion

August 14th, 2018 | American Sociological Association Annual Meeting – Philadelphia, PA, USA

A Crisis of Care: Noncommunicable Diseases and the Biopolitics of Exclusion

European Workshops in International Development

June 6th, 2018 | University of Groningen, The Netherlands

A Crisis of Care: Noncommunicable Diseases and the Biopolitics of Exclusion

British International Studies Association

June 13th, 2018 | Bath, United Kingdom

Global Health Delivery as a Field of Struggle: Noncommunicable Diseases and the Biopolitics of Exclusion

Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, Conference on Advancing Human Progress
February 24th, 2018 | Boston University, Boston, MA, USA

The Evolving Structure of a Scientific Citation Network and its Political Effects

2017 National Conference for Physician-Scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities
April 30th, 2017 | Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, USA

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2020	Boston University Sociology Department Morris Fund Grant (\$1,000)
2020	Boston University Short-Term Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship (\$6,000)
2020	Boston University Long-Term Graduate Research Abroad Fellowship (\$15,000) - Declined
2019	BU Global Development Policy Center Summer in the Field Fellowship (\$4,000)
2019	Boston University Sociology Department Morris Fund Grant (\$1,000)
2018	Northwestern University – Problem Solving Sociology Dissertation Development Workshop Received funding to participate in a two-weekend workshop to refine dissertation proposal.
2017	BU Pardee Center Graduate Summer Research Fellowship (\$6,000)
2017	Symposium on Global Health and the Social Sciences, Graduate Student Lead <i>Hosted by the Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future</i> Helped plan content, logistics, and produce a conference report from the multidisciplinary conference on global health.
2017-2018	BU Sociology Department Graduate Student Seminar Lead Helped lead and plan our department's year-long invited seminar series with senior scholars from around the world.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spring, 2022	Neoliberalism: Empire, Extraction, & the Making of the Global Social Order (ANTH 1716) Teaching Fellow Harvard University
Fall, 2021	Who lives? Who dies? Who cares? Case Studies in Global Health (Gen Ed 1093) Mindich 'Engaged Scholarship' Section Teaching Fellow Harvard University
Spring, 2021	Global Health Issues: The Politics of Who Matters in Global Health (HMS/GS/SOC 322) Adjunct Lecturer, Lehigh University
Fall, 2020	Sociology of Health and Health Care (Soc 215) Teaching Fellow Boston University
Fall, 2020	Who lives? Who dies? Who cares? Case Studies in Global Health (Gen Ed 1093) Mindich 'Engaged Scholarship' Section Teaching Fellow Harvard University
Fall, 2019	Who lives? Who dies? Who cares? Case Studies in Global Health (Gen Ed 1093) Deputy Head Teaching Fellow Harvard University
Spring, 2019	Organizing: People, Power, Change (MLD 377) Teaching Fellow Harvard University Kennedy School of Government
Fall, 2018	Case Studies in Global Health: Biosocial Perspectives (SW25) Deputy Head Teaching Fellow Harvard University
Spring, 2018	Paradigms of Social Theory (DrPH 222) Teaching Fellow Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Fall, 2017	Case Studies in Global Health: Biosocial Perspectives (SW25) Teaching Fellow Harvard University
Spring, 2015 & 2016	The Right to Health: Problems, Perspectives, and Progress (CH188) Assistant Instructor Tufts University

NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

April 2020 - **R2H Action (Right to Health)**
Present *Founder, Co-Organizing Director*

March 2017 - **Boston Network for International Development (BNID)**
June 2019 *Executive Director*

October 2011 - **Partners In Health (PIH)**
April 2016 *Senior Strategist for Grassroots Organizing*

June 2009 - **GlobeMed**
July 2011 *Executive Director*

April, 2016 - **Lancet Commission on Reframing NCDs and Injuries for the Poorest Billion**
Sept, 2016 *Research Assistant*

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICES

Co-organizer 2023 ASA Junior Theorists Symposium

Planning the 2023 ASA Theory Section sponsored Junior Theorists Symposium, a one-day mini-conference featuring the theoretical work of graduate students and early career faculty.

Ad-hoc Reviewer

American Sociological Review
Socio-Economic Review
Social Science and Medicine
Social Problems
Africa: Journal of the International African Institute

Professional Organization Member

American Sociological Association

REFERENCES

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