

Greetings everyone,

We hope that your 2022 is off to a safe and healthy start! Thank you for your continued support of the Research Theme in Health Equity & Translational Social Science (HETSS) at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Please feel free to check out our [Youtube Playlist](#) for the recordings of our previous webinars. *Note: there were technical difficulties with the December 3rd recording of “Re-visiting the 3-ply Yarn: Where are the sex/gender/ sexuality concepts now?” by Dr. Rebecca Jordan-Young and Dr. Sahar Sadjadi. Please stay tuned for a revised recording to be posted to Youtube.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRACTICING CARE
IN CRISIS**
Applied Scholarship in Syndemic Times
National Conference for Physician-Scholars in the Social Sciences
and Humanities

April 30-May 1, 2022
Hybrid virtual/in-person at the University of California, Los Angeles



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**Abstract
Submissions
Due January 31st**

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Over the last year and a half, the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic has raised myriad novel challenges superimposed on already deepening health disparities. In the midst of a global crisis playing out on scales large and small, scholars and clinicians have been both witness to and active participants in efforts to mitigate harms and deliver relief. The upcoming conference carves out a space for dually-trained academics and clinicians to reflect on and critique the state of healthcare delivery and strategize approaches to its transformation. What lessons might applied scholarship in health-related disciplines teach us about the past, present, and future at a time when the trajectory of the worlds we inhabit—socially, personally, politically, academically, and clinically—are in flux?

UPCOMING EVENTS RELATED TO HEALTH EQUITY & SOCIAL SCIENCE MEDICINE:

- [2/4/22 at 12pm](#) – Integrated Center for Neural Repair Seminar: “*The Cause of Major Depressive Disorder*” with Jonathan Flint, MD
- [2/7/22 at 6pm](#) – JEDI Journal Club: “Calling Out Aversive Racism – Thriving in Academia” with Jennifer Lucero MD, MA
- [2/9/22 at 12pm](#) – 47th Lester Breslow Distinguished Lecture: “Recognizing Opportunities” with Roger Detels, MD, MA
- [2/10/22 at 5pm](#) – JEDI Lecture Series: “Critical Race Theory: Theory, Politics, and Practice” with Drs. Wendy Leo Moore and Glenn Bracey
- [2/11/22 at 8am](#) – Pathology Grand Rounds: “Can Pathologists and the Clinical Laboratory make a difference? Value-Based Health Care, Access, Health Equity” with James Crawford, MD, PhD

Please note: If above hyperlink is an email address, please email the linked contact to inquire about the respective Zoom webinar information and RSVP to the event.

For more information about upcoming related events, please check out our [calendar](#).

*If you would like to share an event here, please email hetss@mednet.ucla.edu

FUNDING & RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

UCLA Opportunities

- [Sustainable LA Grand Challenge & UCLA Easton Center Innovation Challenge - Cross-Campus Innovation Challenge](#) due 2/4/22 at 11:59PM
- [UCLA Council on Research – Faculty Grants](#) due 2/15/22 at 5PM
- [UCLA Council on Research – Research Enabling Grants](#) 2/15/22 at 5PM

California Grants

- [Trauma Recovery Center Grant Application due 2/2/22 at 2PM](#)
 - The TRC Grant funds centers throughout California that assist victims of violent crime. These centers provide wrap-around services and assist victims who are typically part of unserved and underserved communities.
- [California Violence Intervention and Prevention \(CaVIP\) Grant Program Application due 2/11/22 5pm](#)
 - Purpose: CaVIP grants must be used to support, expand, and replicate evidence-based violence reduction initiatives that seek to interrupt cycles of violence. Strategies eligible for funding could include but are not limited to: hospital-based violence intervention programs, evidence-based street outreach programs, and focused deterrence strategies.
- [Impact Projects Application due 3/9/22 11:59PM](#)
 - The Impact Projects grant program intends to support collaborative projects that center local artists and forms of arts and cultural expression in responding to issues facing California at this time, including the pervasive social, political, and economic inequalities experienced by those communities most vulnerable to, and adversely affected by, the COVID19 pandemic.

NIH Opportunities

- [Mental Health Research Dissertation Grant to Enhance Workforce Diversity \(R36 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - (PAR-21-325); National Institute of Mental Health; Application Receipt Date(s): February 16, 2022.
- [Initiative to Maximize Research Education in Genomics: Diversity Action Plan \(R25\)](#)
 - (PAR-19-380); National Human Genome Research Institute; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research; Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.
- [NIH HEAL Initiative: Preventing Opioid Misuse and Co-Occurring Conditions by Intervening on Social Determinants \(R01 Clinical Trials Optional\)](#)
 - (RFA-DA-22-036); National Institute on Drug Abuse; National Institute on Aging; National Institute of Mental Health; Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Office of Disease Prevention; Application Receipt Date(s): March 02, 2022
- [Understanding Place-Based Health Inequalities in Mid-Life \(R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - (RFA-AG-23-004); National Institute on Aging; Application Receipt Date(s): March 03, 2022
- [Health Services Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities \(R01- Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - (PAR-20-310) National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; National Institute on Drug Abuse; National Eye Institute; Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Disease Prevention; Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Office of Research on Women's Health: Application Receipt Date: March 17, 2022
- [Health Care Models for Persons with Multiple Chronic Conditions from Populations that Experience Health Disparities: Advancing Health Care towards Health Equity \(R01 - Clinical Trials Optional\)](#)
 - (PAR-22-092) National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Eye Institute; National Institute on Aging; National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; National Institute on Drug Abuse; National Institute of Nursing Research; National Cancer Institute; Office of Research on Women's Health; Application Receipt Date: March 18, 2022

- [Promoting Reproductive Health for Adolescents and Adults with Disabilities \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - (RFA-HD-23-005); Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Office of Research on Women's Health; Application Receipt Date(s): March 30, 2022
- [Technologies for Improving Minority Health and Eliminating Health Disparities \(R41/R42- Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - (RFA-MD-22-003) National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences; Application Release Date: April 4, 2022
- [Advancing Integrated Models \(AIM\) of Care to Improve Maternal Health Outcomes among Women Who Experience Persistent Disparities \(R21 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - (RFA-NR-22-003) National Institute of Nursing Research; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Office of Research on Women's Health; Tribal Health Research Office; Application Receipt Date: April 7, 2022
- [Evaluating the Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic-related Food and Housing Policies and Programs on Health Outcomes in Health Disparity Populations \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - (RFA-NR-22-001) National Institute of Nursing Research; National Institute on Drug Abuse; National Institute of Mental Health; National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Disease Prevention;
 - Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Application Receipt Date: April 7, 2022
- [Using Just-in-Time Adaptive Interventions to Optimize Established Adolescent Mental Health Treatments \(R61/R33 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
 - (RFA-MH-22-150); National Institute of Mental Health; Application Receipt Date: June 22, 2022
- [NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K01 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
 - (PAR-21-296); National Cancer Institute; Application Receipt Date(s): November 12, 2024
- [Patient-Clinician Relationship: Improving Health Outcomes in Populations that Experience Health Care Disparities \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - (PAR-22-064); National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; Office of Research on Women's Health; Application Receipt Date(s): January 07, 2025
- [NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K01 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - (PAR-21-295); National Cancer Institute; Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates.
- [NCI Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K08 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
 - (PAR-21-299); Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.
 - [See also PAR-21-300 \(\(K08 - Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
- [NCI Transition Career Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K22 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - (PAR-21-301); Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.
 - [See also PAR-21-302 \(K22 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
- [Measures and Methods to Advance Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities-Related Constructs \(R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - (PAR-22-072); National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; National Cancer Institute; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research; National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; National Institute of Mental Health; Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Office of Disease Prevention; Application Receipt Date(s): Multiple dates, see announcement.

Non-Federal Funding Opportunities

- American Heart Association:
 - [Research Supplement to Promote Diversity in Science](#) Deadline 2/1/2022
- National Science Foundation:
 - [Science and Technology Centers \(STC\): Integrative Partnerships](#) Deadline 2/1/2022
 - [Innovations in Graduate Education Program](#) Deadline 3/25/22
- National Academy of Medicine:
 - [Catalyst Award Competition](#) Deadline 2/28/22
- Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America Foundation:
 - [Health Equity Challenge Award](#) Deadline 3/1/22
- Cures within Reach CureAccelerator Live!
 - [Repurposing Research to Create Patient Impact in Rare Diseases and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion](#) Deadline 3/9/22
- American Cancer Society:
 - [The Role of Health Policy and Health Insurance in Improving Access to and Performance of Cancer Prevention, Early Detection, and Treatment Services](#) Deadline 4/1/2022
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
 - [Evidence for Action – Innovation Research to Advance Racial Equity](#) Deadline Rolling

HETSS SPOTLIGHT



JIMMY WU IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT INSIDEOUT WRITERS (IOW). IN HIS 9 YEARS ON STAFF AT IOW, JIMMY HAS EMBRACED OTHER ROLES AS IOW'S CASE MANAGER AND ALUMNI ADVOCACY DIRECTOR, FOLLOWED BY INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. JIMMY WAS ALSO A VOTING MEMBER OF A HISTORIC INITIATIVE CALLED THE ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION (ATI) WORK GROUP FORMED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. HE WAS ALSO INVOLVED WITH THE RIDE HOME PROGRAM, PART OF THE STANFORD LAW SCHOOL'S JUSTICE ADVOCACY PROJECT.

JIMMY WU

FROM INSIDE TO OUTSIDE

"InsideOUT Writers is a nonprofit in LA that is now in its 27th year of providing creative writing classes in LA county juvenile halls so that incarcerated youths can share their experiences in a safe space. By sharing their writings they can see how they have many shared experiences and more similarities than they do differences. InsideOUT Writers also works with formerly-incarcerated youth and young adults find employment, sign up for school, and develop life skills to successfully reintegrate into society. I was a participant in the InsideOUT Writers program, and I joined InsideOUT Writers as a case manager after having such a positive experience with the group. I took on larger roles within InsideOUT Writers until I became Executive Director in 2018, committed to spreading the good work that InsideOUT Writers does for incarcerated youths."

HUMANIZING THE INCARCERATION EXPERIENCE

"From my personal experience with the criminal justice system, I realized that there was a need to offer better treatment, care, and support for incarcerated individuals. The incarceration experience requires a humanizing aspect to it and it is important to raise to the surface the root cause of crime and better understand why crime occurs in the first place. Crime often occurs when communities lack resources, so there are times committing a crime is a means of survival for individuals and their loved ones. Shifting the perspective to focus on understanding why people end up committing crimes gives the opportunity to provide individualized support based on needs. With these conversations, incarcerated individuals can gain the opportunity to show how they can better themselves and heal from any type of trauma or abusive experiences that may have propelled them to make certain decisions leading up to their arrest."

IMPROVING HEALTHCARE FOR THE INCARCERATED

"In my time incarcerated and in my time working as part of InsideOUT Writers, I saw that incarcerated people can feel as if the healthcare professionals that treat them are more apathetic to their concerns due to them being incarcerated. I have seen people pass away from their illnesses that could have been prevented if they were treated more as a person rather than just an inmate. Healthcare professionals should not hold a negative perception of the incarcerated and treat them equitably. For citizens returning from incarceration, they can encounter difficulties seeking the best medical attention as many of them come from low-income and under-resourced communities. We have to figure out how to offer equitable healthcare to everybody regardless of whether or not they are, or have been, incarcerated."

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