

Awards and Grants



The **Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE)** recently awarded its first round of research stipends to **Josh Hinkle**, assistant professor (Criminal Justice and Criminology), and **Chrystina Hoffman**, doctoral student (Criminal Justice & Criminology), for their joint proposal to assess “The Impact of Policing Strategies on Officer Job Satisfaction.” Hinkle received a \$2,000 faculty stipend for the 2016 spring semester. Hoffman received two \$3,000 stipends to use for the 2016 spring and summer semesters.



Debra Kibbe, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center-GHPC), was recognized as a “Health Hero” by HealthMpowers for her hard work and dedication to the Georgia Department of Public Health Healthy Schools Summit. The “Health Hero” recognition celebrates people that are creating a culture of health for children. GHPC partners with HealthMpowers on Gov. Deal’s SHAPE initiative and recently hosted the Healthy Schools Summit on Oct. 15, 2015. Kibbe (left) is pictured here receiving the “Health Hero” award from HealthMpowers President Christi Kay.

Publications



Robbie Friedmann, Professor Emeritus (Criminal Justice & Criminology) and director (Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange). (2015). Broken Windows and Policing. *The Police Chief*. LXXXII(10), 60-67. <http://goo.gl/h00zYB>



Rachel Ferencik, senior research associate (Georgia Health Policy Center), T. Kuo, B. Robles, J. Trogdon, P. Simon, & J. Fielding. (2015). Framing the Local Context and Estimating the Health Impact of CPPW Obesity Prevention Strategies in Los Angeles County, 2010-2012. *Journal of Public Health Management & Practice*. <http://goo.gl/LJB191>



David L Sjoquist, professor (Economics), & **Emefa Sewordor**, doctoral candidate (Public Management and Policy). (2015). Lights, Camera, Action: The Adoption of State Film Tax Credits. *Public Budgeting & Finance*, forthcoming.



Neven Valev, adjunct faculty (Economics), & Berrak Bahadir. (2015). Financial Development Convergence. *Journal of Banking and Finance*, forthcoming.

Georgia Health Policy Center Publications and Presentations

Faculty and staff from the Georgia Health Policy Center (GHPC) were involved in the following publications and presentations:



Karen Minyard, director (Georgia Health Policy Center) and research professor (Public Management and Policy), participated in the Institute of Medicine's Roundtable on Population Health Improvement back in April. The roundtable summary report is now available: How Modeling Can Inform Strategies to Improve Population Health.

<http://www.nap.edu/21807>



Chris Parker (pictured), associate project director, **Debra Kibbe**, senior research associate, and **Rachel Campos**, research associate II, served as facilitators and provided technical assistance to 29 school physical activity and nutrition grantees from throughout the state at the SHAPE Healthy Schools Summit, co-hosted by GHPC and the Georgia Department of Health, at Middle Georgia State University in Macon, Ga., Oct. 15, 2015.



Debra Kibbe (pictured) and **Rachel Campos** presented a poster, "Georgia SHAPE School Nutrition and Physical Activity Grants: An Overview and Lessons Learned," at the 2015 State of Public Health Conference in Athens, Ga., Oct. 6, 2015.



Rachel Campos (pictured) presented “Technical Assistance to Schools to Address Policy, Systems, and Environmental Changes in Physical Activity and Nutrition: A Framework for Georgia,” and **Debra Kibbe** presented “Using Systems Thinking and Simulation Modeling to Inform Policy and Practice Regarding Childhood Obesity at the Georgia SHAPE Symposium in Athens, Ga., Oct. 5, 2015.

Rachel Ferenick, senior research associate, co-presented with Kristen Hassmiller Lich (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill) on “Using Systems Thinking and Adaptive Leadership to Identify High Leverage Strategies for Women and Children” at the 2015 CityMatCH Annual Urban MCH Leadership Conference in Salt Lake City. Sept. 27, 2015.

GHPC released a new report which identifies how the state’s allocation of low-income housing tax credits can be strengthened to support health-promoting affordable housing development. One of the outcomes of the assessment states that incentivizing investment in affordable housing in higher opportunity areas can enable hundreds of individuals per year to live longer, healthier lives. <http://goo.gl/anvKI9>



Ann DiGirolamo (pictured left), director (GHPC’s Center of Excellence for Children’s Behavioral Health), and **Colleen Smith**, research associate II, facilitated a film screening of “The Raising of America: Early Childhood and the Future of our Nation” followed by an expert panel and discussion at the Georgia Conference on Children and Families in Augusta, Ga., Oct. 23, 2015.

Presentations



Robin Hartinger-Saunders, assistant professor (Social Work), presented “Domestic Minor Sex-Trafficking: The Role of Mandated Reporters,” at the Council on Social Work Education, 61st Annual Program Meeting in Denver, Oct. 18, 2015.

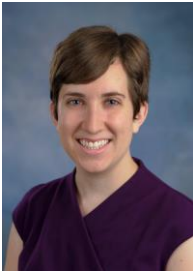


John O’Kane, professor of practice (Public Management & Policy), discussed “Nonprofit Leadership Development: What’s Out There and What’s Needed” as a panelist at the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, Oct. 7, 2015.



Paula Stephan, professor (Economics), made the following keynote addresses and presentations:

- “The Economics of the Postdoc Position,” at the 2nd Boston Symposium on the Future of Research at Boston University, Oct. 23, 2015.
- “Policies to Promote Excellence and Risk Taking in Research: What Does and Does not Work,” at the ON RESEARCH event at KU Leuven in Leuven, Belgium, Oct. 13, 2015.
- “The Economics of the Postdoc Position,” at the Georgia State Postdoctoral Association meeting in Atlanta, Oct. 28, 2015.
- “Administrative Data to Study Knowledge Production and Knowledge Workers: Lessons from Star Metrics,” at the European Research Council in Brussels, Oct. 12, 2015.



Kristie Seelman (pictured), assistant professor (Social Work), and **Nicholas Forge**, clinical assistant professor (Social Work), presented “LGBTQ Student Engagement: The Roles of Gay-Straight Alliance Characteristics and Safe Adults,” at the Annual Program meeting of the Council on Social Work Education in Denver, Oct. 17, 2015.

Forge also made the following presentations:



With **Brittany Garner**, MSW student (Social Work). “Homeless LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender) Youth and Young Adults: Practice Notes from the Field,” at the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) – Georgia Chapter’s annual conference in Atlanta, Oct. 24, 2015.



With **Karen Watkins** (left), clinical assistant professor (Social Work), and **Terri Lewinson**, assistant professor (Social Work). “Collaborative Empowerment Teams – Advancing Student Intrinsic Motivation in Social Work Education,” at the Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education in Denver, Oct. 18, 2015.



Scott Jacques, associate professor (Criminal Justice & Criminology), delivered an invited lecture titled "Criminal Ethics" before the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group at the Naval War College, Newport, R.I., Oct.8, 2015.



Jan Ligon (far left), associate professor and BSW Program Director (Social Work), is pictured here with a group of middle school students from the Midtown International School. Ligon spoke to the students about anxiety, depression, and drugs on Oct. 14, 2015 in Atlanta. The event was hosted by GSU's Honors College. Also in the picture are: Sara Cook (second from left), associate dean (GSU Honors College), and Chris Goode (far right), professor (Psychology).

Julie Hotchkiss, adjunct professor (Economics), and executive director of the Atlanta Census Research Data Center, presented two lectures at Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vt., Oct. 15, 2015. They were:

- "Can We Believe Everything We Read? The U.S. Labor Market in Perspective" as part of the D.K. Smith Lecture Series.
- "Undocumented Immigration, Fiscal Conservatism, and Partisan Support for the Republicans" as part of the Middlebury Department of Economics Research Seminar Series.

Events and Community Outreach



Jan Ligon, associate professor (Social Work), invited Atlanta Journal-Constitution columnist Bill Torpy to speak to his *SW 2000 Intro to Social Work* class, Sept. 25, 2015. Torpy (rear, third from right) is pictured here taking a selfie with the students.

The **Georgia International Law Enforcement Exchange (GILEE)**, in partnership with the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust and the Anti Defamation League, held a one-day training seminar, “Law Enforcement and the Holocaust: Lessons for Today.” Participants included law enforcement officers from Georgia and Charleston, S.C., representing local, state and federal agencies. The seminar was held at Kennesaw State University in Kennesaw, Ga., Oct. 15, 2015.

Media



Sally Wallace, associate dean of research and strategic initiatives was quoted and the **Fiscal Research Center** was cited by the media about the center’s commissioned study on the impact of early learning for the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL). Media hits include:

- Athens Banner Herald, “[Early Childhood Education Has Significant Economic Effect in Georgia, Study Shows](#),” Oct. 23, 2015.
- The (Macon) Telegraph, “[Georgia Child Care Industry Adds \\$4.7 Billion in Economic Activity](#),” Oct. 14, 2015.



Robert Buschman, senior research associate (Fiscal Research Center, and Ph.D., Economics, 2012), was quoted in the media for his recent report, “[Georgia’s Incredible Shrinking Sales Tax Base](#).” Media hits include:

- The Atlanta Journal-Constitution, “[Georgia’s Incredible Shrinking Sales Tax Base](#),” Oct. 15, 2015.
- WABE 90.1 FM, “[Georgia’s Revenue From Sales Tax Declining, Report Says](#),” Oct. 9, 2015.
- PeachPundit.com, “[A New Report Shows a Significant Decline in Georgia’s Sales Tax Revenue](#),” Oct. 8, 2015.



Bruce Seaman, associate professor (Economics), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal Constitution article, "[Petroleum Group Gets Close on its Claim about Georgia Jobs](#)," Oct. 15, 2015.

Dave Sjoquist, professor (Economics), was cited or quoted about two reports he co-authored with John Winters (Oklahoma State University) on the HOPE scholarship and STEM majors in the following media:

- SaportaReport column, [HOPE Scholarship Deters College Students from Majoring in STEM Fields: GSU Report](#), Oct. 21, 2015.
- Atlanta Journal Constitution's Get Schooled Column, "[Should Georgia lower GPA required to keep HOPE for GaTech students?](#)" Oct. 15, 2015.

A **Fiscal Research Center** report on whether the growing gap between the number of adults and children getting welfare in Georgia demonstrates success or failure was cited in The Florida Times Union article, "[Experts Agree Job Creation Key in Reforming Welfare Programs](#) in Georgia," Oct. 26, 2015.

Kristie Seelman, assistant professor (Social Work), had the following media hits:

- A scripted broadcast on WAMC Northeast Public Radio network's "Academic Minute" about her research on "[Transgender Discrimination](#)," Oct. 12, 2015. The segment was also highlighted by Inside Higher Ed.
- National Clearinghouse on Families & Youth discussed an earlier publication in which Seelman looked at transgender adults' experiences of discrimination in domestic violence and rape crisis services. The Clearinghouse created a brief summary for their listserv & Q&A piece about the publication. The two respective links are:
 - <http://goo.gl/D3WMFD>
 - <http://goo.gl/liKc4d>



Susan Snyder, assistant professor (Social Work), was quoted in the University Herald article, "[Inhalant Use Linked to Mental Illness](#)," Oct. 14, 2015. The article is based on research by Snyder and a team of researchers from Georgia State University and the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill(?).



Dan Kreisman, assistant professor (Economics), was quoted in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution's Get Schooled column, "[Vo-tech Makes a Comeback, but is it Proving Effective?](#)" Oct. 16, 2015.

Neven Valev, adjunct faculty (Economics), was interviewed by the Bulgarian National Radio about global economic growth and the implications for macroeconomic policy. You can hear the audio file – in Bulgarian – at: <http://goo.gl/Ioc4mu>.



Mwangi Ndirangu, a YALI (Young African Leaders Initiative) Scholar, was featured on the Mediamax Network article, "[It Takes Vision to Build an Empire](#)," Oct. 15, 2015, about his six-week tenure as a YALI Scholar at Georgia State University.

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