

PARTHENIA LUKE

RESEARCH PROGRAM

Parthenia researches social justice as it relates to the human right to be and to belong. This interest presents itself in two ways in her research: in a focus on the long-term implications of displacement and displacement pressure for residents of gentrifying communities, and also in a focus on the implications of inclusion, equity, and diversity efforts in higher education.

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	University of South Carolina, Columbia SC College of Social Work	Expected Aug 2023
MSW	University of South Carolina, Columbia SC College of Social Work	2011
BA	Furman University, Greenville SC Psychology	2007

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant, University of South Carolina	2016-2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Dana DeHart, Ph.D., College of Social Work▪ Rural and Minority Health Research Center, Arnold School of Public Health▪ Center for Child and Family Studies, College of Social Work	

PUBLICATIONS

Published Peer-Reviewed Articles

Wilson, B. L., Davis, B., Anderson, B., **Luke, P.**, Gorchow, C., & Nzomene Kahouo Foda, A. N. (in press). "Tone it down": The whitewashing of Black women doctoral students' research and scholarship at predominately white institutions - Implications for social work doctoral education. *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Zahnd, W. E., Murphy, C., Knoll, M., Benavidez, G. A., Day, K. R., Ranganathan, R., **Luke, P.**, Zgodic A., Shi K., Merrell, M.A., Crouch, E.L., Brandt, H.M., & Eberth, J.M. (2021). The intersection of rural residence and minority race/ethnicity in cancer disparities in the United States. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 18(4), 1384. MDPI AG. Retrieved from <http://dx.doi.org/10.3390/ijerph18041384>

Research Reports and Other Publications

Luke, P., & DeHart, D. (2021). Patient Needs Screening Tool. University of South Carolina. https://web.qa.sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/socialwork/documents/cosw_patient_needs_screening_tool.pdf

DeHart, D., & **Luke, P.** with the Center for Child & Family Studies (2021). Dual Loyalty Short Simulation. Columbia, SC: University of South Carolina. <https://ccfs-training-modules.s3.amazonaws.com/Dual+Loyalty/story.html>

Luke Robinson, P., & DeHart, D.D. (2020). Barriers to health care for incarcerated women returning to rural communities: Needs assessment (Final technical report). University of South Carolina.

Luke Robinson, P., Soto-Ramirez, N., & Flynn, C. (2016). South Carolina Department of Social Services employee satisfaction survey: Summary reports. University of South Carolina Center for Child and Family Studies.

PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

Luke, P. & DeHart, D. (2021). Patient protection, facility security, & malpractice liability in correctional healthcare. Informational poster. University of South Carolina. https://web.qa.sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/socialwork/documents/cosw_dual_loyalty_poster.pdf

DeHart, D., & **Luke, P.** (2020). Health and mental health of system-involved women. 9th Annual Virtual Social Work Day, South Carolina Area Health Education Consortium (Virtual).

Luke Robinson, P., Gutiérrez, M., Tang Yan, C., Thurber, A., & Ohmer, M. "Understanding, Measuring, and Contesting Gentrification through a Critical Race Lens," Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 2020.

Luke Robinson, P., McRell, A. S., Negreiros, K. L., Fram, M. S., & Bell, B. A., "Learning in Context: A Cross-Classified Multilevel Investigation of Family, School, and Neighborhood Influences on Adolescent Academic Achievement," Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, January 2019.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor-of-Record

Capstone (BSW), Spring 2022
Advocacy: Social and Economic Justice (BSW), Spring 2022
Crisis Intervention (MSW), Summer 2019
Case Management (MSW), Summer 2019

Graduate Instructional Assistant

Diversity and Social Justice (BSW), Fall 2021
Human Sexual Behavior, Spring 2019
Brain and Behavior, Spring 2019
Introduction to Psychology, Fall 2018

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Capital Mitigation Specialist, Social Historian

2020 – Present

Independent Contractor

- Investigates and compiles relevant mitigation evidence for trials and post-conviction proceedings in death penalty cases
- Prepares comprehensive psycho-social histories of capital defendants through client interviews, collateral interviews, and the collection and evaluation of life history records
- Works with the defense team and experts to develop a comprehensive and cohesive case in mitigation
- Analyzes gathered information in terms of impact on defendant development, including effect on personality and behavior
- Testifies as an expert witness in sentencing hearings

- Community-Based Prevention Services Supervisor** 2015 – 2016
Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth - Empowering Families Network, Greenville SC
- Supervised a staff of 10-15 case managers, providing continuous direction and assistance
 - Provided individual and group supervision and case consultation to staff
 - Delivered in-home supports to caseload of 15+ families
 - Built teams of professionals and informal supports to ensure safety and well-being of children at-risk for abuse/neglect
 - Communicated regularly and attended monthly meetings with regional community partners and SCDSS
- Community Based Prevention Services Case Manager** 2013 – 2015
New Foundations Home for Children - Empowering Families Network, Anderson SC
- Delivered in-home supports to a caseload of 20-30 families referred to SAFY by Child Protective Services
 - Assessed and monitored the safety and risk levels of children and their caregivers through bi-weekly home visits
 - Completed timely documentation using a computerized clinical record and maintenance of a central file
 - Developed an Intake Assessment that was adopted as a mandatory tool
- Community Organizer** 2010 – 2011
South Carolina Fair Share, Columbia SC
- Collaborated with Upstate churches to organize information sessions on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA)
 - Organized a county-wide PPACA seminar in Greenville, SC
 - Participated in workgroups that shaped state-level implementation of the PPACA
 - Researched scholarly literature and electronic resources for current policy work and policy analyses
- Afterschool Program Director, Big Bus Alliance Coordinator, Grant Writer** 2009 – 2011
Potential Youth Foundation & Coaches 4 Character, Greenville SC
- Developed lesson plans and tutorial techniques for 1st - 12th grade students
 - Supervised tutors and managed operating budgets
 - Monitored students' academic performance and communicated with parents regarding progress
 - Collaborated with community organizations to provide transportation and meals for youth attending programs
- Emergency Department Social Work Intern** 2009 – 2010
Greenville Memorial Hospital, Greenville SC
- Provided screening, assessment, planning, problem resolution, resource management, social work services, and counseling
 - Assisted in crisis management relating to health care and discharge planning needs
 - Coordinated the assessment of patient/family needs and developed a comprehensive plan of care
 - Managed discharge planning for patients and coordinated with agencies providing post-hospital care
- Case Manager, Service Coordinator** 2007 – 2009
Disabilities & Special Needs Board, Greenville SC & Easley SC
- Crisis Intervention: Responded to specific needs which, if not met, would cause the individual to be in jeopardy
 - Plan Development & Implementation: Determined strengths, preferences, resources and needs of the person and family
 - Budget Management: Updated, reconciled, and monitored Medicaid budgets
 - Advocacy: Supported the basic human rights of people and families

SERVICE

DEI Taskforce & Advisory Team, College of Social Work, UofSC <i>Social work doctoral students who facilitate the development of ideas, organize events, answer questions, and offer solutions to problems related to diversity, equity, and inclusion within the College of Social Work.</i>	2021 - Present
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, College of Social Work, UofSC	2019 – Present
Reviewer, Discover UofSC, Sponsored by the Office of the Vice President for Research	April 2022
Richland School District 2 Superintendent’s Parent Advisory Council (Columbia, SC)	2020 – 2021
City of Columbia Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development (SC) <i>Appointees who advise the Mayor and City Council on the needs of neighborhoods, review amendments, make important recommendations for federal grant programs, and make appropriate comments on policies.</i>	2019 – 2021
PhD Program Committee, CoSW, UofSC	2018 – 2019

TRAININGS & RESEARCH SKILLS

Research and Teaching Training

University of Michigan Social Work Graduate Student Mentoring Workshop on African American and Latinx Research, Summer 2019

UofSC CoSW Case Method Training Institute, Summer 2019

UofSC COSW PhD Teaching Practicum – Diversity and Social Justice Issues for Social Work Practice, Summer 2017

Practice Training

Abusive Head Trauma – Child Fatalities • Best Practices in Safe Sleep for Babies • Community Based Prevention Services • Community Long Term Care (SCDHHS) Case Management • Cultural Sensitivity and Engagement with the Hispanic Community • Family Assessment and Intervention • Family Engagement Skills • Interactional Model of Clinical Supervision • Leadership Development • Medical Child Abuse - Munchausen Syndrome by Proxy • Motivational Interviewing • Narcotics Investigations • Nonviolent Crisis Intervention • Sexual Harassment Prevention Training for Supervisors • Signs of Safety • Strengthening Families Program Group Leader Training • Treatment Foster Care Model

HONORS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Southeastern Conference (SEC) Emerging Scholar, University of South Carolina (UofSC) <i>One of five individuals selected to represent UofSC in a program designed to promote professional development for scholars at SEC institutions who are interested in higher education academic careers.</i>	AY 2022/23
College of Social Work (COSW) Diversity Fellow, UofSC <i>Co-sponsored by the UofSC Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; a competitive one-year program that provides COSW doctoral candidates with leadership experience in the areas of diversity, equity, and inclusion.</i>	AY 2022/23
PhD Student of the Year Award, CoSW, UofSC	AY 2018/19

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for Social Work and Research	2019 – Present
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