

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Temple University, School of Social Work
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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor **Temple University**
2018-present
College of Public Health, School of Social Work
Philadelphia, PA

EDUCATION

Postdoctoral Fellow **University of Michigan**
2016-2018
Vivian A. and James L. Curtis School of Social Work Research & Training Center
Ann Arbor, Michigan

PhD **University of Maryland, Baltimore**
School of Social Work
2012-2016
Baltimore, Maryland
Dissertation: Toddler Overweight Prevention: Developing a Model by
Socioeconomic Gradients

MSW **Temple University**
2008-2009
Philadelphia, PA
Concentration: Community and Policy

BSW **Temple University**
2005-2008
Philadelphia, PA

CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Licensed Social Worker, License # SW127755, Pennsylvania State Board of Social Workers, Marriage & Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, Active: 2011-present

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research aims to understand the complex system interactions that influence health disparities across the socioeconomic spectrum, particularly in the areas of social determinants of health, maternal and child health, pediatric obesity, and food and nutrition policy. Additionally, I am interested in research at the intersection of health and child welfare, and the role of social work in developing interventions to promote optimal growth and development in early childhood, particularly within low-resourced communities.

TEACHING INTERESTS

Research methods and evaluation
Human behavior, Social change theories
Social welfare history and policy
Social and economic justice
Health disparities/maternal and child health

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Funded

<p><u>Principal Investigator: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, New Connections Program.</u> 2017-2018 Title of Study: “Healthy Eating, Healthy Children: Understanding Longitudinal Mechanisms of Stress, Parenting, and Healthy Eating Habits” 9/1/17-8/31/18; Grant #74726 Amount: \$50,000 (PI 25% FTE)</p>	2017-2018
<p>Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop The Columbia Population Research Center (CPRC) Funder: Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development</p>	Summer 2018
<p>Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s New Connections Mentoring Program</p>	2018-2019
<p>Postdoctoral Fellowship Vivian A. and James L. Curtis School of Social Work Research and Training Center University of Michigan</p>	2016-2018
<p>Doctoral Program Dissertation Grant, Cycle II</p>	Fall 2015

University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Social Work

Doctoral Program Dissertation Grant, Cycle I Fall 2015
University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Social Work

Doctoral Program Tuition Scholarship 2012-2016
University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Social Work

Graduate Scholarship Award Fall 2008
Master's Scholarship Award, Temple University School of Social Work

Submitted (not funded)

Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA) Predoctoral Fellowship (F31), Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). "Toddler Obesity Prevention: Developing a Model by Socioeconomic Gradients."

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Schuler, B. R.**, Saksvig, B. I., Nduka, J., Farabaugh, S., Jaspers, L., Black, M. M., & Hager, E. (2018). Barriers and Enablers to the Implementation of School Wellness Policies: An Economic Perspective. *Health Promotion Practice*. Advance Online Publication. doi: 10.1177/1524839917752109
2. **Schuler, B. R.** & O'Reilly, N. (2017). Child development and the community environment: Understanding overweight across the income gradient. *Childhood Obesity*. Advance Online Publication. doi: 10.1089/chi.2017.0025
3. **Schuler, B. R.**, Lee, B.R., Kolivoski, K. M. Attman, N. P., & Lindsey, M. A. (2016). Implementing a modular research-supported treatment in child welfare: Effects and obstacles. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 26(6), 693-703. doi: 1049731514563988
4. Bessaha, M. L., **Schuler, B. R.**, & Moon, C. (2016). Social workers' perceptions of training preparedness and social justice norms on workplace empowerment. *Journal of Social Service Research*. 10.1080/01488376.2016.1226228
5. **Schuler, B. R.** (2015). Health perceptions and quality of life among low-income adults. *Health & Social Work*. Advance online publication. doi: 10.1093/hsw/hlv045
6. **Schuler, B. R.**, & DeForge, B. R. (2015). The 12-item Short Form Health Survey: A confirmatory factor analysis in an urban African American sample. *Health & Social Work*. doi: 10.1093/hsw/hlv058
7. **Schuler, B. R.**, Bessaha, M. L., & Moon, C. (2015). Addressing Secondary Traumatic Stress in the human services: A comparison of public and private sectors. *Human Service Organizations*:

Management, Leadership & Governance. Advance online publication. doi.
10.1080/23303131.2015.1124060

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

8. **Schuler, B. R.** (under review). Toddler overweight prevention: Developing a model by socioeconomic gradients.
9. O'Reilly, N. & **Schuler, B. R.** (under review). Developing Food Insecurity Risk Profiles: A Latent Class Analysis.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROCESS

- Schuler, B. R.**, Miller, A. L., et al. (in preparation). Early childhood stress and the mealtime environment: How poverty and food insecurity are linked to obesogenic behaviors in early childhood.
- Schuler, B. R.**, Miller, A. L., et al. (in preparation). A longitudinal study of trauma exposure and eating habits during the formative years of early childhood.
- Schuler, B. R.**, Hager, E. R., & Black, M., M., (in preparation). Building Blocks for Health Children: An RCT for increasing the variety and acceptance of fruits and vegetables.
- Schuler, B. R.**, O'Reilly, N., et al. (in preparation). Early childhood trauma, parenting styles, and 5-year-old eating habits: A National Examination.

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. **Schuler, B. R.**, Weaver, A. , & Mattison, D. (November, 2018). Facilitators and Barriers to Implementing an Integrated Healthcare-Focused Curriculum: MSW Student Perceptions. Accepted for E-poster presentation at the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), Annual Program Meeting, Orlando, FL.
2. Krautwurst, A., Leitch, J., & **Schuler, B. R.** (November 2018). Adolescent and Young Adult Interest In and Perceptions of STI Screening and PrEP. Accepted for poster presentation at the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Annual Meeting and Exposition, San Diego, CA.
3. **Schuler, B. R.** & O'Reilly, N. (November 2018). Creating Health Equity in Early Childhood: Adverse Childhood Experiences and Dietary Sugar Intake across the

Socioeconomic Spectrum. Accepted for poster presentation at the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Annual Meeting and Exposition, San Diego, CA.

4. **Schuler, B. R.** (January 2018). Understanding Health Equity in Early Childhood: Adverse Experiences, Socioeconomic Position, and Eating Habits. Symposium presentation- Obesity and Weight-Related Health Among Preschool Aged Children: Examining Social Ecologies of Risk and Resilience. Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.
5. **Schuler, B. R.** (January 2018). Healthy Weight, Healthy Children: Understanding Weight Inequity across the Socioeconomic Gradient Society. Oral Presentation at the Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.
6. O'Reilly, N. & **Schuler, B. R.** (January 2018). Cumulative Risk and Food Justice: A Food Insecurity Latent Class Analysis. Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.
7. **Schuler, B. R.** (November 2017). Understanding Overweight and Obesity Risk in Early Childhood: The role of Social Class. Poster presentation at the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Annual Meeting and Exposition, Atlanta, GA.
8. **Schuler, B. R.,** O'Reilly, N. (November 2017). Food insecurity and risk: A comparison of cumulative risk analysis and latent class analysis. Poster presentation at the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Annual Meeting and Exposition, Atlanta, GA.
9. **Schuler, B. R.** (October 2016). Toddler Overweight Prevention: Developing a Model by Socioeconomic Gradients. Poster presentation, at Michigan Metabolomics and Obesity Center Symposium, Ann Arbor, MI.
10. **Schuler, B. R.,** O'Reilly, N. (November 2016). Child Development and the Distal Sphere: Understanding Childhood Overweight Across Income Gradients. Oral presentation at the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), Annual Program Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
11. **Schuler, B. R.,** O'Reilly, N. (January 2016). Socioeconomic Predictors of Diet Among Low-Income Caregivers and Children. E-poster presentation at Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.
12. **Schuler, B. R.,** Saksvig, B. I., Nduka, J., Hager, E. R., & Black, M. M. (November 2015). Disparities in school wellness: A mixed-methods study of school administrators. Poster presentation at the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Annual Meeting and Exposition, Chicago, IL.

13. Saksvig, B. I., **Schuler, B. R.**, Nduka, J., & Hager, E. R. (November 2015). School administrator perspectives on successful wellness policies related to physical activity. Oral presentation at the American Public Health Association's (APHA) Annual Meeting and Exposition, Chicago, IL.
14. **Schuler, B. R.**, Saksvig, B. I., Hager, E. R., & Nduka, J. (September 2015). Disparities in barriers and enablers to implementing school wellness policies. Paper presentation at the Maryland Chronic Disease Conference, Baltimore, MD.
15. **Schuler, B. R.**, Lopes, M., Fowler, B., Black, M., M., Hager, E. R., & The Maryland Building Blocks Team (September 2015). Effects of a randomized control trial on the child care center nutrition and physical activity environment. Poster presentation at Drexel University's Urban Health Symposium, Philadelphia, PA.
16. **Schuler, B. R.**, Lopes, M., Fowler, B., Black, M., M., Hager, E. R., & The Maryland Building Blocks Team (September 2015). Building Blocks for Health Children: Increasing the variety and acceptance of fruits and vegetables. Poster presentation at the Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.
17. **Schuler, B. R.**, Hager, E. R., Wang, Y., Fisher-Hobson, E., Kilby, S., Rubio, R., & Black, M. M. (April 2015). Overweight and obesity among low-income pre-school aged children in Maryland. Poster presentation at Public Health Research Day at Maryland, Baltimore, MD.
18. Fisher-Hobson, E., Hager, E. R., **Schuler, B. R.**, Kilby, S., Rubio, R., & Black, M. M. (April 2015). Fruit and vegetable preference among low-income preschool-aged children. Poster presentation at Public Health Research at Maryland Day, Baltimore, MD.
19. Saksvig, B. I., **Schuler, B. R.**, Nduka, J., & Hager, E. (April 2015). Physical activity policies and school wellness. Poster presentation at Public Health Research Day at Maryland, Baltimore, MD.
20. **Schuler, B. R.** (March 2015). Understanding income disparities to promote nutrition and physical activity environments in schools: A strengths-based perspective. Oral presentation at the University of Maryland Graduate Research Conference, Baltimore, MD.
21. **Schuler, B. R.** (May 2014). Quality of Life (QOL) and employment outcomes of job training for low-income adults. Oral presentation at the Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD.

22. **Schuler, B. R.** (October 2014). Intrinsic and organizational predictors of secondary traumatic stress: A study of licensed social workers. Poster presentation at the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), Annual Program Meeting, Tampa, FL.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- Schuler, B. R.** (September 2017). Healthy eating, healthy children: Understanding mechanisms of stress, parenting, and healthy eating habits. Presentation to T32 Training in Developmental Science to Improve Child Health and Wellbeing, Center for Human Growth and Development, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.
- Schuler, B. R.** & Hager, E. R. (February 2014). Maryland School Wellness Policies and Practices Project: Prince George's County public school system. Presentation to school health council, Prince George's County, MD.
- Schuler, B. R.** (May 2013). Quality of life and employment outcomes of job training for low-income adults. Presentation to Temple University Center for Social Policy and Community Development Health Information Professions Team, Philadelphia, PA.

UNPUBLISHED REPORTS

- Moon, C., Barth, R., & **Schuler, B.** (2014). No Child Hungry: Closing the Gap. Grand Challenge submitted to the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare.
- Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (January, 2010). Innovations in Social Work Practice: Youth Suicide Prevention Report. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.
- Randall, P., Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (April, 2010). Connecting Effectively with Families: Gathering Information Executive Training Summary Report. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.
- Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (April, 2010). Child Welfare Development Tool- ITNA Literature Review Summary. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.
- Randall, P., Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (May, 2010). Connecting Effectively with Families: Gathering Information Supervisor Training Summary Report. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.
- Randall, P., Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (May, 2010). Assessing for Safety Final Evaluation Report Year 1. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.
- Randall, P., Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (August, 2010). Assessing for Safety Final Evaluation Report Year 2, with Cross- Year Comparisons. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.

Randall, P., Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (August, 2010). In-Home Protective Services Final Evaluation Report Year 2, with Cross- Year Comparisons. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.

Randall, P., Schreiber, A., **Schuler, B.** (October, 2010). Connecting Effectively with Families: Gathering Information Final Evaluation Report. Center for Social Policy and Community Development, Temple University.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- September 2016-present** **Postdoctoral Fellow**
 Vivian A. and James L. Curtis School of Social Work Research & Training Center
 University of Michigan
 Mentors: Bradley Zebrack, Jamie Mitchell, Joe Himle
- September 2015-August 2016** **Graduate Research Assistant**
 University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Social Work
 Project: Behavioral Health Workforce (BHWISE) Fellowship Evaluation
 PI: Bethany Lee, PhD
 Funder: Human Resources and Services Administration, Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BWHET)
 Role: Evaluation of MSW mental health literacy, interprofessional skills and attitudes, and cultural competency
- July 2014-2015** **Project Coordinator**
 University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, Growth and Nutrition Division
 Project: Maryland Building Blocks for Healthy Children
 PI: Maureen Black, PhD
 Funder: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Team Nutrition Training Grants
 Role: USDA-funded randomized control trial to improve the nutrition and physical activity environments of low-income childcare centers
- July 2013-July 2014** **Graduate Research Assistant**
 University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Social Work
 Project: Common Elements in Child Mental Health
 PI: Bethany Lee, PhD
 Funder: Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services
 Role: Pilot study of common elements training for child welfare field instructors and students
- October 2013-July 2014** **Research Intern**
 University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, Growth and Nutrition Division
 Project: Maryland Wellness Policies and Practices Project

PI: Erin Hager, PhD
 Funders: CDC, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene,
 The Summer Program in Obesity, Diabetes and Nutrition Research
 Training (SPORT)
 Role: Data management, analysis, and reporting of research on school
 wellness policy implementation

**August 2012-
 June 2013**

Graduate Research Assistant

University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Social Work
 Project: Maryland Comprehensive Assessment and Service Planning Initiative
 PI: Jill Farrell, PhD
 Role: Analysis of large administrative datasets examining rehabilitation within
 the Department of Juvenile Services

**October 2012-
 2015**

Research and Evaluation Consultant

Temple University, College of Public Health, Center for Social Policy and
 Community Development
 Project: Program Evaluation
 PI: Shirley Moy
 Funder: Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of
 Health & Human Services (HHS)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Winter 2018

Guest Lecture

University of Michigan, School of Social Work
 Course: SW 873 Theories of Social Change
 Level: PhD

Fall 2017

Adjunct Instructor

Widener University, Chester, PA
 Courses: SW 520 Methods of Social Work Research
 Level: MSW, Online program

Summer 2017

Instructor

University of Michigan, School of Social Work
 Course: SW 611 Social Change Theories
 Level: MSW, Advanced

Adjunct Instructor

Widener University, Chester, PA
 Courses: SW 522 Qualitative and Quantitative Data Analysis
 Level: MSW

Spring 2017

Adjunct Instructor

Widener University, Chester, PA
Courses: SW 520 Methods of Social Work Research
SW 540 Social and Economic Justice I
Level: MSW, Online program

Fall 2016**Adjunct Instructor**

Widener University, Chester, PA
Courses: SW 520 Methods of Social Work Research
SW 540 Social and Economic Justice I
Level: MSW, Online program

Summer 2016**Adjunct Instructor**

Widener University, Chester, PA
Courses: SW 520 Methods of Social Work Research
SW 540 Social and Economic Justice I
Level: MSW, Online program

Spring 2016**Adjunct Instructor**

Widener University, Chester, PA
Courses: SW 520 Methods of Social Work Research
SW 540 Social and Economic Justice I
Level: MSW, Online program

Instructor

University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Social Work
Course: SW 600 Social Welfare and Social Policy
Level: MSW

Fall 2015**Adjunct Instructor**

Widener University, Chester, PA
Courses: SW 522 Qualitative and Quantitative Data Analysis
Level: MSW

Instructor

University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Social Work
Course: SW 600 Social Welfare and Social Policy
Level: MSW

Spring 2014**Teaching Assistant**

University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Social Work
Course: SW 600 Social Welfare and Social Policy
Level: MSW
Instructor: Michael Reisch, PhD

Fall 2010**Teaching Assistant**

Temple University, College of Health Professions and Social Work
Course: SW 8207 Evaluation of Practice: Macro
Level: MSW

Instructor: Amanda Schreiber, MSW, LSW

Spring 2010-2015 Research Methods and Statistics Tutor
 Temple University, Educational Psychology; School of Social Work
 Courses: Social Work Research Methods, Introduction to Statistics,
 Intermediate Statistics
 Levels: MSW, PhD, Ed.D.

TRAINING EXPERIENCE

2013 Trainer
 Saint Francis Community Center, Baltimore, MD
 Role: Provided child safety training to community center staff

2010 Trainer (Continuing Education)
 Temple University, Center for Social Policy and Community
 Courses: Philadelphia Outcomes Measurement Project
 Ages and Stages Questionnaire, Data Entry System

PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

December 2011-2014 Housing Discrimination Surveyor
 Housing Equality Center of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

- Visited housing providers to collect information to assist with regional monitoring and investigations to promote fair housing

January 2010-September 2012 Evaluation Specialist
 Temple University, College of Public Health, Center for Social Policy and Community Development
 Project: DHS Child Welfare Training Grant
 PI: Amanda Schreiber
 Funder: Philadelphia Department of Human Services

- Responsible for development and implementation of program evaluations for multiple funded social-service projects

September 2007-January 2010 In Home Protective Services Social Worker
 Turning Points for Children, Philadelphia, PA

- Hired as MSW to provide protective intervention case management and service coordination to maintain permanency of children at risk of placement

September 2008-May 2009 Policy Department Social Work Intern
 Pennsylvania Prison Society, Philadelphia, PA

- Participated in legislative advocacy for prison reform initiatives

- September 2005-May 2006** **Transitions Case Manager Social Work Intern**
Traveler's Aid Homeless Shelter, Philadelphia, PA
- Assisted in providing case management and resource referrals
- May 2005-September 2005** **Foster Care and Adoptions Intern**
Delta Community Supports, Glenside, PA
- Assisted in compiling materials, handbooks and resources for foster care and adoptions programs.

UNIVERSITY AND SSW SERVICE

- 2017-present** **Integrated Health Interprofessional Education Learning Community**
- Analyze student evaluations of the Integrated Health Scholars Program to inform program development and manuscript preparation
- 2017-present** **Critical Intersectionality Learning Community**
- Knowledge development and measurement/methodological approaches informed by Critical Intersectionality
- 2013- 2015** **Deputy Volunteer Coordinator**
Society for Social Work and Research, Annual Conference
- Coordinate and organize student volunteer schedules and roles for conference
- 2014-2016** **SSWR Doctoral Student Task Force**
Society for Social Work and Research, Annual Conference
- Participate in monthly task group meetings; coordinate communications and social media site to engage with social work doctoral students
- 2013-2014** **Student Writing Group Co-Chair**
University of Maryland, Baltimore, School of Social Work
Student Writing Group
- Co-founded and chair student writing group

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- October 2016-present** **Consultant**
ShapeDown Weight Management Program
St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, MI
Consultation on program evaluation, data analysis, and psychometrics
- October 2012-August 2016** **Consultant and Youth Mentor**
Saint Francis Community Center, Baltimore, MD
- Mentorship and tutoring services for after school program
 - Child safety consultation and training

MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

Appetite

Health and Social Work

Health Promotion Practice

Maternal and Child Health Journal

Perspectives on Social Work, Doctoral Student Journal, Graduate College of Social Work

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Integrated Health and Interprofessional Education Learning Community	2017
Critical Intersectionality Learning Community	2017
Child Health and Development Lab, Center for Human Growth and Development	2017
Momentum Center, School of Public Health	2016-present
American Public Health Association	2015, 2017
Toddler Obesity Prevention, Building Blocks for Healthy Children Group	2014-present
Society for Social Work and Research	2013-present
Council on Social Work Education	2012-present
Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior	2015-2016
University of Maryland, Qualitative Interest Group	2014-2016
Eastern Sociological Society	2013-2014