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Publications

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Recent Presentations

Russell, D. (2024). Thames, K., Gordon, J. The Deep Social Roots of School Shootings: Assessing Constellation Theory of Rampage Attacks between 2009-2022. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Russell, D. (2023). Unmet Service Needs Among Rural Appalachian Caregivers of People With Alzheimer's and Dementia. The Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Tampa, FL.

Russell, D. (2023). Exposure to COVID-19 Pandemic-Related Secondary Stressors and Adolescent Mental Health. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Russell, D. (2022). Support amid Uncertainty: Long COVID Illness Experiences and the Role of Online Communities. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA.

Russell, D. (2021). Family Caregivers' Conceptions of Trust in Home Health Care Providers. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting (Virtual Conference).

Russell, D. (2019). Social and Cultural Factors for Hospice Care Outcomes: Perspectives of Patients, Caregivers, and Providers. The Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, Austin, TX.

Russell, D. & Luth, E.A. (2019). Neighborhood Sociodemographic and Economic Characteristics as Predisposing Factors for Live Discharge among Hospice Recipients. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY.

Russell, D. (2019). Beliefs and Representations of Addiction in Audience Reactions to Media Coverage of the Opioid Epidemic. Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society. Atlanta, GA.

Invited Presentations

Russell, D. (2023). How Deep are the Social Roots of School Shootings? An Evaluation of Constellation Theory in Rampage School Shootings between 2009 and 2022. Center for Demography & Population Health. College of Social Sciences & Public Policy. Florida State University.

Funded Research

2023-2025 Julia G. Burgdorf (PI) \$115,479.33

Alzheimer's Association Research Grant (AARG-23-1074651)

Title: Patterns & Preferences of Home-Based Service Use for Persons with Dementia

Role: Co-Investigator

2023-2025 Jennifer M. Reckrey (PI) \$49,285

Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Center at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (P30AG028741)

Title: Consumer Directed Personal Care in Home-Based Long-Term Care: Trends in Use and Client Characteristics

Role: Co-Investigator

2022-2026 Ruth Marie Masterson Creber (PI) \$709,718

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (1R01HL161458-01A1)

Title: Improve the Meaning of Patient Reported Outcomes to Evaluate Effectiveness for Cardiac Care

Role: Co-Investigator

2021-2026 Jingjing Shang (PI) \$868,580

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (1R01HS028637-01)

Title: Disparities in Infection in Home Health and Patients'/Caregivers' Perceptions (Dis-Infection in HHC)

Role: Co-Investigator

2021-2023 Jennifer M. Reckrey (PI) \$28,500

Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Center at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (5P30AG028741-12)

Title: Home Health Aide Continuity Among Home-based Long-Term Care Clients and Its Relationship with Health Outcomes

Role: Co-Investigator

2021-2022 David Russell (PI) \$14,388

Interdisciplinary Network on Rural Population Health and Aging (INRPHA; National Institute on Aging)

Title: Home and Community Dementia Supports (HANDS): Rural Appalachian Caregiver Experiences

Role: Principal Investigator

2021 David Russell (Co-PI) \$75,000

Altman Foundation (G-FP-2011-802315951)

Title: Ensuring the Safety of the Home Health Aide Workforce and the Continuation of Essential Patient Care Through Sustainable Pandemic Preparedness

Role: Co-Principal Investigator with Penny Feldman (Co-PI)

2020-2021 David Russell (PI) \$3,966

University Research Council Grant at Appalachian State University

Title: Exploring Illness Experiences of COVID-19 Long-Haulers in Online Communities of Support

Role: Principal Investigator

2020-2021 Jo-Ana D. Chase (PI) \$9,928

Research Council Grant at University of Missouri

Title: Family Caregiving in Home Health Care During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Role: Co-Investigator

2018-2019 Elizabeth A. Luth (PI) \$7,000

Eugenie and Joseph Doyle Research Partnership Fund

Title: Examining the Relationships between Dementia, Race, Ethnicity, Socioeconomic Status and Late Referral to and Live Discharge from Hospice
Role: Co-Principal Investigator

2018-2019 Bilal Chughtai (PI) \$7,000
Eugenie and Joseph Doyle Research Partnership Fund
Title: Qualitative Interviews with Home Hospice Providers about End-of-Life Incontinence
Role: Co-Investigator

2017-2018 Jo-Ana D. Chase (PI) \$7,336.50
University of Missouri Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Capacity Small Projects Award
Title: Transitions in Care(giving): Caregivers' Perspectives on Training and Support in the Post-Acute Care Setting
Role: Consultant

2016-2019 Jingjing Shang (PI) \$1,391,760
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (1R01HS24723-01)
Title: Infection Control in Home Care and Predictive Risk Modeling
Role: Co-Investigator

2015-2017 Dawn Dowding (PI) \$300,000
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (1R21HS023855-01A1)
Title: Development of Dashboards to Provide Feedback to Home Care Nurses
Role: Co-Investigator

Awards

Appalachian State University College of Arts and Sciences Academy of Outstanding Teachers, 2024
Impact Article of the Year, National Association for Healthcare Quality, 2012
Impact Article of the Year, National Association for Healthcare Quality, 2011
Best Paper Award, IARIA eTELEMED Conference, 2011
Grantmakers in Aging Fellowship, 2008

Training

Biomedical Data Science Innovation Lab on Rural Health and Environmental Exposures, 2019
Measurement, Design, and Analysis Methods for Health Outcomes Research, Harvard SPH, 2012

Teaching

Undergraduate Courses

The Sociological Perspective (Introductory Sociology)
Medical Sociology
Society, Stress and Mental Health
Methods of Social Research
Social Statistics and Data Analysis
Senior Capstone

Graduate Courses

Programs and Services for Older Adults

Health Care and Aging
Trauma and Traumatic Grief
Community Needs and Strengths Assessment
Advanced Research Methods / Research Seminar

Service

2023-2025	Policy Committee, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
2022-2023	Faculty Search Committee (Chair), Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
2021-2022	Faculty Search Committee, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
2020-2023	Graduate Program Director, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
2018-2020	Humanities Council, Appalachian State University
2019-2020	Faculty Search Committee (Chair), Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
2018-2019	Departmental Personnel Committee, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
2017-2019	Faculty Development Committee, Department of Sociology, Appalachian State University
2012-2017	Enterprise Influenza Committee, VNS Health

Peer Reviewer (2024-2025)

The Sociological Quarterly
Journal of Applied Gerontology
Home Health Care Management & Practice (Editorial Board)
Journal of Health and Social Behavior
Journal of Palliative Medicine
Journal of Pain and Symptom Management
Society & Mental Health
Patient Education & Counseling
Medical Care
Socius
Contemporary Drug Problems
Social Science & Medicine
Home Health Care Services Quarterly
American Journal of Infection Control
SSM Qualitative Research in Health

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association (Sections: Medical Sociology, Mental Health, and Aging & Life Course)
Gerontological Society of America
Southern Sociological Society