

AMY FISHER, J.D., LCSW

EDUCATION:

University of Tennessee, Memphis, Tennessee:
Master of Science in Social Work, May 2004

University of Mississippi School of Law, Oxford, Mississippi:
Juris Doctorate, May 1993

Converse College, Spartanburg, South Carolina:
Bachelor of Arts, May 1989

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

2018-present Associate Professor of Social Work, The University of Mississippi
2012-2018 Assistant Professor of Social Work, The University of Mississippi

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS:

2022-present MSW Program Director
2018-2019 MSW Field Education Director

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS:

Crutchfield, J., **Fisher, A.**, and Plummer, S. (In press). Best practices for Antiracist education in virtual settings. *Advances in Social Work*.

Fisher, A., Lee, N.Y., Allen, S., Digby, P. (2021). BSW Students' Descriptions of an Experiential Exercise on Intimate Partner Violence. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work* 41(3), 290-313. [doi: 10.1080/08841233.2021.1926402](https://doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2021.1926402)

Zhang, S., Lefmann, T., Lee, N.Y., **Fisher, A.** (2021). Ecological Contexts of Youth Antisocial Behaviors: A Longitudinal Perspective. *Aggressive Behavior*, 47(3), 364-374. [doi: 10.1002/ab.21954](https://doi.org/10.1002/ab.21954)

Churakova, I.*, Burlaka, V., Crutchfield, J., Lee, N. Y., **Fisher, A.**, Kim, Y. J., Zhan, S., & *Nepal, J. (2020). Unpacking the Mississippi Blues: Relationship between internalizing problems and health behaviors. *International Social Work*. Advance online publication, March 5, 2020. doi: 10.1177/0020872820908319

Fisher, A., Crutchfield, J., Lee, N.Y., Kim, Y.J., Churakova, I.*, Burlaka, V. (2019). An ecological approach to social work student success. *Ts Cuadernos de Trabajo Social*, 19, 1-23.

- Fisher, A.,** Simmons, C., & Allen, S. (2019). Supporting and challenging BSW student cognitions in the classroom. *Journal of Effective Teaching* 2(1), 120-135.
- Fisher, A.** Allen, S., & Simmons, C. (2018). Introducing BSW students to social work supervision prior to field: A mixed methods exploration of a BSW-MSW student partnership. *Advances in Social Work* 18(4), 1085-1102. doi: 10.18060/21556
- Barnard, M., West-Strum, D., Holmes, E, Yang, Y., & **Fisher, A.** (2018). The potential for screening for intimate partner violence in community pharmacies: An exploratory study of female patients' perspectives. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 33(6), 960–979. doi: 10.1177/0886260515614272
- Fisher, A.** (2017). Transforming thinking transforms lives. *Journal of Contemporary Research in Education*, 6(1), 15-19.
- Fisher, A.,** Moore, D., Simmons, C. & Allen, S. (2017). Teaching social workers about microaggressions to enhance understanding of subtle racism. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 27(4), 346-355. doi: 10.1080/10911359.2017.1289877
- Crutchfield, J., **Fisher, A.**, and Webb, S. (2017). Colorism in police killings of unarmed African Americans. *The Western Journal of Black Studies.*, 41(3 & 4), 3-13.
- Simmons, C., **Fisher, A.**, Barnard, M., & Allen, S. (2017). Exploring self-efficacy among entry-level and advanced BSW students. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 37(4), 369-384. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2017.1324550>
- Fisher, A.** (2016). Teaching as Practice: A Mobile Phone Points the Way. *Reflections: Narratives of professional helping*, 22(3), 25-28.
- Fisher, A.,** Simmons, C., & Allen, S. (2016). An experiential approach to clinical supervision training: A mixed-methods evaluation of effectiveness. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*. 36(5), 460-476. doi:10.1080/08841233.2016.1231157
- Simmons, C., & **Fisher, A.** (2016). Promoting cognitive development through field education. *Journal of Social Work Education*, 52(4), pp. 462-472. doi: 10.1080/10437797.2016.1198290
- Fisher, A.,** Mackey, T., Langendoen, C., & Barnard, M. (2016). Effect of child and interviewer race on disclosure of child sexual abuse. *Journal of Child Sexual Abuse*, 25(7), 777-792. doi: 10.1080/10538712.2016.1208705

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MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW:

Fisher, A., Washington, B.*, and Allen, S.. How Do First-year MSW Students Perceive Anti-oppressive Theory and Practice?

Fisher, A., Droubay, B., *Bacon, C.. Exploring the relationship between interpersonal empathy, social empathy, and racial attitudes.

TECHNICAL REPORTS:

Fisher, A. Burlaka, V., and Cain, D. (2016). Feedback Loop: An Illustration of the Interactive Process of Knowledge Translation in Child Welfare Pre-Service Training. Report submitted to Mississippi Department of Child Protective Services.

Burlaka, V., **Fisher, A.**, and Cain, D. (2016). Individual and Organizational Factors that Affect Translation and Sustainability of Knowledge: Findings from the Enhanced Evaluation Study of the Child Welfare Training Academy. Report submitted to Mississippi Department of Child Protective Services.

BOOK CHAPTERS:

Simmons, C., **Fisher, A.**, & *Simmons, B. (2015). Cognitive complexity and student veterans. In J. E. Coll and E. L. Weiss (eds.). *Student Veterans in Higher Education: A Primer for Administrators, Faculty, and Academic Advisors*. Chicago: Lyceum.

Cromeans, E., **Fisher, A.**, & Hunt, C. (2013). Alcohol and other drugs: Use and abuse. In L.Banahan (ed.), *The Ole Miss Experience*, Taylor, MS: Nautilus.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS:

Yearwood, C., Barbera, R., **Fisher, A.**, Hostetter, C. (2021). We build the road by walking [Editorial]. *Advances in Social Work*, 21(2/3), <https://doi.org/10.18060/25652>

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS--External (Funded):

Voter Empowerment Project, Council on Social Work Education Policy Practice in Field Education Initiative (\$10,000), 2018-2019, Co-PI (Na Youn Lee, Co-PI)

Child Welfare Training Academy, Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services (\$2,519,456.80), 2017-2018, Co-PI (Viktor Burlaka, Co-PI)

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Brief Intervention and Screening for the Community (BISC), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (\$ 343,051), 2008-2009, Co-PI (Mark Showalter, PI)

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS -External (Unfunded):

Social Service Research and Training Institute, Robert M. Hearin Foundation (\$ 3,064, 867), 2018-2019, Co-PI (Viktor Burlaka, Co-PI)

Policy Practice in Field Placement Initiative, Council on Social Work Education Policy Practice in Field Education Initiative (\$11,876) 2018-2019, Co-PI (Younghee Lim and Susan Allen, co-PI's)

INTERNAL FUNDING (funded and unfunded):

Exploring the Relationship between Empathy, Social Empathy, and Racial Attitudes, University of Mississippi Achieving Equity Grants (\$2,566), 2020-2022, PI (Brian Droubay, Co-PI)

Summer Research Stipend, University of Mississippi SAS (\$6000), 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015

Pre-Tenure Course Release, University of Mississippi SAS (\$8000), 2016-2017

Community Wellbeing Constellation Grant Proposal: Improving access to care, University of Mississippi Constellation Grants (\$5000), 2018, Co-PI (with Pharmacy Faculty)

PEER REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS:

Fisher, A. (2021). Getting beyond the sound bites: MSW students, oppression, and social work. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, November 11-14, 2021. Proposal accepted, but conference not attended due to COVID-19.

Hostetter, C., Stepteau-Watson, D., Yearwood, C., **Fisher, A.** (2020). Social work: Complicity in oppression. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, November 16-20, 2020 (virtual).

Crutchfield, J., Plummer, S., **Fisher, A.**, and Hayes, S. (2020). Dismantling white supremacy in social work education. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, November 16-20, 2020 (virtual).

Crutchfield, J., Plummer, S., and **Fisher, A.** (2020). *Dismantling White Supremacy Culture in Social Work Education*. BPD Annual Conference, Birmingham, AL, March 21, 2020 (conference cancelled due to pandemic).

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- Lee, N.Y., **Fisher, A.**, Digby, P. (2019). *Rural Voter Empowerment: Insights, lessons learned, and directions for the future*. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO, October 25, 2019.
- Lee, N.Y., **Fisher, A.**, Digby, P., and *Connor, A. (2019). *Engaging social work students in empowering communities during the 2018 midterm elections: Lessons learned*. NASW-MS Conference, Natchez MS, March 8, 2019.
- Fisher, A.** & Simmons, C. (2018). *Introducing BSW students to social work supervision prior to Field*. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Orlando, FL, November 11, 2018.
- Fisher, A.**, Burlaka, V., & Lee, N.Y. (2018). *Examining the correlates of wellbeing and success among future helping professionals: Research on Mississippi Student Success*. NASW-MS Conference, Biloxi, MS, March 7, 2018.
- Fisher, A.**, Lee, N.Y., & Lefmann, D. (2017). *Promoting political efficacy in social work students: Sharing innovative approaches*. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Dallas, TX, October 21, 2017.
- Burlaka, V., **Fisher, A.**, & Cain, D. (2016). *Knowledge translation and sustainability in child welfare employee training*. Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA, January 14, 2017.
- Burlaka, V., **Fisher, A.**, & Cain, D. (2016). *Knowledge translation and sustainability in child welfare employee training*. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA, November 4, 2016.
- Crutchfield, J., **Fisher, A.**, & Webb, S. (2016). *Colorism in Police Killings of Unarmed African-Americans*. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA, November 4, 2016.
- Fisher, A.** and Moore, D. *Microaggressions: An essential addition to cultural competence in social work*. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO, October 17, 2015.
- Fisher, A.** and Moore, D. *Subtle racism: Identifying and interrupting microaggressions*. 2015 NASW-MS Conference, Biloxi, MS, March 27, 2015.
- Fisher, A.**, Simmons, C., and Kelly, M. (2014). *Comparing effects of field education and deliberate psychological education on cognitive development*. Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Tampa, FL, October 26, 2014.

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Simmons, C., and **Fisher, A.** (2014). *The use of experiential learning in teaching clinical supervision and practice skills*. 10th Annual International Interdisciplinary Conference on Clinical Supervision, Garden City, NY, June 2014.

Fisher, A., Simmons, C., and Moore, D. (2014) *Microaggressions: What are they and why do they matter?* 2014 NASW-MS Conference, Biloxi, MS, March 28, 2014

AWARDS:

2020 Excellence in Community Engagement (ECE) Award, May, 2020, for Voter Empowerment Project (\$5,000)

University of Mississippi Community Engagement Honor Roll, March, 2019, for Voter Empowerment Project

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Master of Social Work

SW 600 Diversity in Social Work Practice
SW 602 Social Work Practice with Individuals
SW 604 Social Welfare Policies and Programs
SW 615 Social Work Practice with Families and Groups
SW 621-624 Field Instruction
SW 640 Advanced Practice with Groups
SW 650 Assessment and Diagnosis
SW 660 Clinical Supervision
SW 683 Theories of Psychotherapy
SW 687 Substance Abuse and Addiction

Bachelor of Social Work

SW 322 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
SW 437 Social Work Practice with Groups

Classes delivered face-to-face, hybrid, and asynchronously online

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Department:

MSW Program Directory, 2022-present
Diversity (Empowerment) Committee, 2016-present, Chair, 2020-present
MSW Committee, 2013-present
Graduate Social Work Student Organization, faculty advisor, 2016-2020
Search Committees, 2014-present
BSW Practice Committee, 2012—2014

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School:

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the School of Applied Sciences Working Group Chair, 2018-2021
Dean's Leadership Council, 2019-2020
Search Committee, Dean of the School of Applied Sciences, 2018

University:

Search committee, University Counseling Center Education Director, 2021
Diversity Liaison, Vice Chancellor for Diversity and Community Engagement office, 2018-2021
Chancellor's Commission on Accessibility, 2019-2021
Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women, 2015-2018 and 2009-2010
Chancellor's Commission on LGBTQ Affairs, 2015-2016
Faculty Senate, 2015-2016
Curriculum and Policy Committee, 2014-2016
UM Recovery Community Advisory Board, 2009-2018
Smoke Free Campus Policy Implementation Committee, 2012-2015
Planning Committee, *A Call to Change*, 2013-2014

Profession:

Founding Member, SWCAREs (Social Work Coalition for Anti-Racist Education)
Guest Editor, *Advances in Social Work Special Issue on Dismantling White Supremacy in Social Work Education*, 2022
Editorial Board, *Journal of Excellence in Teaching in Higher Education*, 2019-2022
Ad Hoc Reviewer, *Journal of Excellence in Teaching in Higher Education*, *Health and Social Care in the Community*, *Advances in Social Work*, and *The Journal of Practice Teaching and Learning*
Proposal reviewer, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2021 CSWE APM
Proposal reviewer, 2013 BPD Conference

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION:

Licensed Certified Social Worker, Mississippi, 2006-present
Board Approved LCSW Supervisor, 2011-present
Certified Advanced Alcohol and Drug Counselor, Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals, National Association of Addiction Professionals, 2007-2012
Licensed Attorney, Mississippi Bar Association, 1993-present

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

SWCAREs, 2019-2022
Council on Social Work Education, 2013-present
National Association of Social Workers, 2004-present

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Society for Social Work and Research, 2016-2017
Mississippi Association of Addiction Professionals, 2007-2012
National Association of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Counselors, 2007-2012
Mississippi Bar Association, 1993-present

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Private Practice, 2006-2021

Therapist: provide individual, group, and family counseling

University Counseling Center, Oxford, Mississippi, 2005-2012

Counselor and Substance Abuse Services Coordinator: provided a wide range of individual, group, couple, and family counseling services to students, faculty, and staff of the University of Mississippi; coordinated substance abuse interventions

Haven House, Oxford, Mississippi, 2004-2006

Residential Substance Abuse Therapist: provided individual, group, and family counseling to clients of residential inpatient program

Family Crisis Services of Northwest Mississippi, Inc., 2001-2002

Multidisciplinary Child Abuse Task Force Coordinator: coordinated meetings of various professionals involved in child abuse cases

Hill & Minyard, Oxford, Mississippi, 1999-2001

Associate Attorney

Law Offices of Jak M. Smith, Tupelo, Mississippi, 1993-1998

Associate Attorney

APPOINTMENTS:

Planning Committee, *If You Build It They Will Come: Building and Sustaining Effective Campus Recovery Programs*, Training Institute sponsored by the Higher Education branch of the U.S. Department of Education, 2012

Mississippi Supreme Court Commission to Address Concerns of Impaired Lawyers, appointed by Supreme Court Justice Kay Cobb, July 2005-March 2008

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Memory Makers, November 2018-2020

More Than a Meal, August 2013-2020

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United Way of Oxford/Lafayette County
United Way Program Evaluation Team, 2008-2010
United Way Funds Distribution Committee, 2007-2008

CLINICAL SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE:

Licensure Supervision for LCSW level, 2010-2013
Site Supervisor, University of Tennessee at Memphis MSSW program,
Spring Semester 2008
Site Supervisor, University of Mississippi MSW program, Fall 2010-Fall 2012
University of Mississippi BSW program, Summer 2012

OTHER PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES:

Fisher, A., (2017, December, August, April). Licensure Exam Preparation for MDCPS Workers. University of Mississippi.

Fisher, A., (2016, December). Licensure Exam Preparation for MDCPS Workers. University of Mississippi.

Fisher, A. & Moore, D. (2014, October). Microaggressions: What are they and why do they matter? Presentation at The Art of Social Work, Jackson, MS.

Fisher, A., & Mackey, T. (2014, June). Child and interviewer race in forensic interviewing. Paper presented at the Looking to the Future conference, Natchez, MS.

Fisher, A. (2014, April) Ethics in group social work. Presentation at the University of Mississippi Department of Social Work Conference, University, MS.

Simmons, C., **Fisher, A.**, Brooks, L., Moore, D. (2014, March) "The Race." Presentation at the University of Mississippi School of Social Work Diversity Conference, University, MS.

Fisher, A., (2013, March). Collegiate Recovery Communities: What are they and why do they matter? Presentation at the NASW-MS Conference, Natchez, MS.

Panel member (2012, August). U.S. Department of Education, Higher Education Center Recovery Community Training, Washington, D.C.

Fisher, A. & Schafer, E. (2012, February). Collegiate Recovery Communities: What are they and why do they matter? Presentation at the Mississippi Addictions Conference, Jackson, MS.