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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Social Welfare **May 2020**
State University of New York at Albany, School of Social Welfare

Master of Science, Social Work, Minor: Trauma **May 2013**
Fordham University, Lincoln Center, NY

Master of Arts, Criminal Justice, Minor: Criminology and Deviance **May 2009**
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice, Minor: Law **June 1998**
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY

RESEARCH INTEREST

Intimate partner violence, trauma, immigration, policing, and social work using mixed methods approach and phenomenological methodologies.

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Assistant Professor Law, Police Science, and CRJ, John Jay College **August 2024**

- Police and Diversity
- Future of Public Safety (Special Topics)
- Women and Policing
- Introduction to Police Science
- Police Use of Force

Adjunct Assistant Professor of Social Work, Morgan State University, **Summer 2023**

- Human Behavior and the Social Environment II

Assistant Professor of Social Work, York College **August 2022**

- Field Practicum I
- Practice I
- Urban Health Disparities and Global Health

Assistant Professor of Social Work, Morgan State University **Jan 2021-Aug 2022**

- Human Behavior and the Social Environment I & II
- Introduction to Social Work
- Social Work Practice I

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substance Abuse & Chemical Dependency <p>Adjunct Assistant Professor, Mount Saint Mary College</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Sociology • Social Problems 	Aug 2018-June 2020
<p>Adjunct Assistant SUNY Orange</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Sociology • Social Problems • Patrol Operations • Victimology • Police Community-Relations • Criminology • Critical Issues in Law Enforcement 	Aug 2009- May 2021
<p>Lecturer, University at Albany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field Practice I • Field Practice II 	Aug 2015-May 2019
<p>Adjunct Instructor, Union College, Schenectady, NY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic and Family Violence 	Aug 2014-May 2015
<p>Police Instructor, NYPD Police Academy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law • Police Science • Behavioral Science 	June 2005-Feb 2009

ACCEPTED PUBLICATIONS

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Rhodes, D. & Greenfield, K. Latinas' perception of law enforcement who respond to intimate partner violence calls: a qualitative inquiry. *Health Justice* 13, 61 (2025). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s40352-025-00374-0>.

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Rhodes, D.J. (accepted on September 24, 2025). Navigating IPV and social support services: Latina survivors of IPV testimonials. *Journal of Health and Social Work*.

Rhodes, D.J., Smith, J.M., Geyton, T.A., & **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, Antwi, K. (accepted on August 18, 2025). A secondary qualitative analysis of U.S. social workers' perspectives on a post-2020 policing era. *Families in Society*

Rhodes, D.J., Smith, J.M., Geyton, T.A., & **Gandarilla-Javier, S.** (2025) Considerations for Social Work Clinicians Interested in Policing: A Qualitative Report, *Social Work*, 2025; <https://doi.org/10.1093/sw/swaf032>

Rhodes, D.J., Ost, J.H.* , & **Gandarilla-Javier, S.** (2024). A qualitative exploration of social workers' job preparedness in law enforcement agencies. *Social Work Research*, 48(2), 103-115 <https://doi.org/10.1093/swr/svae005>

PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

Rhodes, D.J., Reichelderfer, T.* **Gandarilla-Javier, S.** (under review). A qualitative study of social work first responders' insights for guided practice. Submitted: June 10, 2025

Rhodes, D.J., **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, Smith, J.M., & Reichelderfer, T*. (under review). Preparing Social Work Students for Law Enforcement Roles: Qualitative Insights from Practitioners Submitted: August 01, 2025

Rhodes, D.J., **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, Antwi, K., & Stewart, N. (under review). Intersecting Harms: Structural and Social Determinants of Firearm Suicide in Black and Latino Youth. Submitted: August 31, 2025

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Rhodes, D.J., **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, Reichelderfer, T.* (in progress). A scoping review of police attitudes towards mental health professionals.

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (in progress). Understanding IPV: A Feminist Perspective on Participatory Action Research with Undocumented Women.

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Rhodes, D.J (in progress). A scoping review on law enforcement response to intimate partner violence.

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (in progress). “21st Century Policing: Street-Level Bureaucracy to Trauma-Informed Policing.

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (in progress). Neither here nor there. Acculturative Stress Among Undocumented Latinas. A Case Study

DISSERTATION

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (2020). *A Phenomenological Study of Undocumented Latina Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence*. ProQuest Dissertations & Theses.

Dissertation Committee: Katharine Briar-Lawson (Chair), Dr. Maria (Maki) Haberfeld and Dr. Blanca M. Ramos.

PRESENTATIONS

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Haviv, N. (November 12, 2025). Acculturative Stressor Among Undocumented Latina Survivors of IPV.

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Rhodes, D.J. (November 14, 2025). A Qualitative Report: Considerations for Social Work Clinicians Interested in Policing.

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Haviv, N. (**June 12, 2025**). Supporting IPV Survivors: Understanding Acculturative Stress and Navigating Police Reporting Process (Accepted) at NASW Social Work Conference in Orlando, Florida.

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Rhodes, Dasha J. (**March 2025**). Breaking Barrier. Understanding Intimate Partner Violence Among Undocumented Latinas in New York City. (Accepted Abstract) ACJS Conference.

Gandarilla-Javier, S (2024). Understanding IPV Among Undocumented Latinas. The National Association of Social Work Conference in Florida. Approved 2 hour-CEU.

Rhodes, D., Smith, J., Gandarilla-Javier, S (2024). Social Work Consideration for Working with Law Enforcement. The National Association of Social Work Conference in Florida.

Gandarilla-Javier, S (2023). Police Response to Intimate Partner Violence. The National Association of Social Workers. (NASW). Approved 2 hour-CEU.

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (2023). Police Social Work. Policing in the 21st Century.

Gandarilla-Javier, S (2022). How to Conduct Phenomenological Research Among Difficult to Research Populations. The National Association of Social Workers (NASW)-Florida Chapter

Gandarilla-Javier, S (2022). Importance of Community Building Among Undocumented Latinas Navigating Services. New York City Housing Panelist.

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (2021). Ethical dilemmas in feminist social work practice with the Latino population. Morgan State University, School of Social Work (Ted-Talk).

INVITED PEER-REVIEW JOURNALS

Behavioral Sciences	November 2025
Social Sciences	October 2025
Health and Justice	March 2025
Families in Society	December 2024
Journal for Urban Social Work	May 2022
Journal for Advancing Justice	August 2021

GRANTS AWARDED

5/2025 **Principal Investigator**, John Jay College of Criminal Justice
PSC-CUNY Enhance Grant-ENHC 56-12.

Title: *Acculturative Stress and Trust in Law Enforcement Among Latinas Who Have Experienced Intimate Partner Violence (IPV)*.

Goal: Pilot and submit for a larger grant to serve as a training and certificate program for law enforcement and social service providers.

Awarded Amount: \$12,000

4/2022 **Consultant**, Morgan State University
Center on Urban Crime Reduction
Role: Community Engagement and Intervention (CEI) that focus on prevention and ameliorating the impact of individual, family, and community violence.
Granted: \$2,000,000.00 (in perpetuity)

7/2023 **Consultant**, Morgan State University
Guaranteed Income Pilot Program-Montgomery County

- Advise on identity populations-demographics for GBI participants.
- Advise on the sampling methodology for recruitment of 200 GBI participants.
- Advise on interview techniques using Key Participants Interview (KPI) Questionnaire.
- Advise on training for graduate assistant (GA) training.
- Provide feedback on the data collection and analysis.
- Advise on preparing project report and result disseminations.

Granted: \$286,000

7/2022 **Principal Investigator**
JP Morgan Chase Second Year Experience
Role: To enhance the curriculum of a course for second-year students with a component that offers the opportunity for experiential learning.
Requested: \$5,000
Awarded: \$5,000

GRANTS NOT AWARDED

3/2025 **Co-Principal Investigator**, Russell Sage Foundation
Grant: R-2504-53427
Title: **Examining the Efficacy of The Seven Principles Rehabilitation Program: A Mixed Methods Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT) Evaluating Socio-Emotional Outcomes.**
Requested/Not Awarded: \$100,000

UNIVERSITY/DEPARTMENT SERVICE

8/2025- 8/2026 Student Grade Appeal Committee
1/2025-2026 Student Activities Association Board of Directors (Alternative)
10/2024-2026 Faculty Senate's Committee on Racial Justice & Inclusion

RESEARCH SUPPORT

12/2018	Principal Investigator , State University of New York at Albany
2/2019	Phenomenological Study, State University of New York at Albany
12/2015	Graduate Research Assistant , MARC/HEARTS Grant, Funded by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.
	State University of New York at Albany, School of Social Welfare

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

08/2018-	Office of Mental Health, Beacon, NY
10/2019	Licensed Master Social Worker (Contract)
11/2017-	Open Door Family Medical Center, Brewster, NY
07/2018	Behavioral Health Integration Specialist (Contract)
8/2015-	Lexington Center for Recovery, Poughkeepsie, NY
10/2017	Director of Clinical Services
05/2013-	The Institute for Family Health, Dutchess County, New York
06/2015	Director of Care Coordination
7/2015-	NYS OCFS: Highland Residential Center Highland, NY
12/2015	Licensed Master Social Worker (Contract)
10/2009-	Epilepsy Foundation, Highland, NY
08/2011	Service Coordinator/TBI Service Coordinator Case Manager
5/2008-	ARC of Rockland, Rockland, Congers, NY
7/2009	Medicaid Service Coordinator Case Manager

INVITED KEYNOTE SPEAKER

4/2012 NASW, New York State Chapter, Westchester County
Conference, Panelist for Domestic Violence Awareness

5/2013 Monroe College- Presenter on issues in Domestic Violence

LAW ENFORCEMENT

1998-2008	New York City Police Department, New York, NY Police Officer
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Domestic Violence Unit at the 23rd Precinct Domestic Violence Unit/Highway Safety. 1999-2004 • Police Cadet Corp/ Academy Instructor 2006 -2008

SCHOLARSHIPS

2011-2013 Fordham University Scholarship (\$10,000/yearly)
2014-2015 State University of New York at Albany, Joyce Harriet Stahl Scholarship (\$1500)
2015-2016 State University of New York at Albany, Elfrieda Textores Endowed Scholarship (\$1500)
4/2021-National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Scholarship Recipient (NISOD): <https://www.nisod.org/2021/04/15/2021-faculty-conference-scholarship-recipients/#:~:text=Sharon%20Gandarilla-Javier,triumph%20and%20resilience>.
5/2021 NIH Grantsmanship Academy 3-Day Training

SKILLS/TRAININGS/CERTIFICATIONS

- 6/2013 Certified Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT)
- 6/2013 Suicide Assessment-Safe Talk Hotline,
- 5/2012 Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT)
- 2/2013 Trauma Systems Therapy (TST)
- 6/2014 DSM V Training
- 10/2017 Motivational Interview
- 12/2016 Team Based Learning for College Students
- 04/2021 National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD)
- 05/2021 NIH Grantsmanship
- 06/2016 SIFI – Seminar In Field Instructor
- 07/2019: ADEI Training Certification (NYSOMH)
- 09/2023: Dignity for All Student Act (DASA)
- 09/2023: NYS DASA Coordinator
- Ongoing Continuing Education Credits in various topics (18 credits yearly)

LANGUAGES

- Bilingual in Spanish

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- National Association of Social Workers (NASW)-June 2025
- National Association of Social Workers-Florida Chapter-President 2022-2024
- New York City Patrolmen Association (PBA)-ongoing
- Latino Social Work Organization (LSWO)-2025
- American Society of Criminology (ASC)-October 2025
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences December 2025
- International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW)-2026
- John Jay College of Criminal Justice Alumni Association
- Fordham University Alumni Association

PROFESSIONAL NETWORK ACCOUNT

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/sharongandarillajavier/>.

LICENSURES

- NYS Office of the Professionals-Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) 2/29/2028
- Maryland Board of Social Workers-Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW) 10/31/2027

- New Jersey Dept of Consumer Affairs-Licensed Social Worker (LSW) 8/31/2026

CERTIFICATION

• NYS Methods of Instruction for Police Topics Certification	Apr. 2004
• Trauma System Therapy-Fordham University	Feb 2013
• TF-CBT Certification	June 2013
• Quality Matters (QM); Designing Your Online Course	Aug. 2021
• NYS Dept of Education-School Social Worker	Sept. 2023-Jan 2029
• CITI Human Subjects Research Certification	June 2018
• CITI Conflicts of Interest	Sep. 2014
• CITI Health and Information Privacy and Security for Students and Instructors	Dec. 2014
• CITI Health and Information Privacy and Security for Clinicians	Apr. 2018
• CITI Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research	Dec. 2014
• ADEI Training Certification (NYSOMH)	May 2019