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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Social Welfare State University of New York at Albany, School of Social Welfare	May 2020
Master of Science, Social Work, Minor: Trauma Fordham University, Lincoln Center, NY	May 2013
Master of Arts, Criminal Justice, Minor: Criminology and Deviance Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY	May 2009
Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice, Minor: Law John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY	June 1998

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.

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
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- 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
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- Human Behavior and the Social Environment II

Assistant Professor of Social Work, York College	August 2022
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- 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
- Substance Abuse & Chemical Dependency

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Mount Saint Mary College

Aug 2018-June 2020

- Introduction to Sociology
- Social Problems

Adjunct Assistant SUNY Orange

Aug 2009- May 2021

- Introduction to Sociology
- Social Problems
- Patrol Operations
- Victimology
- Police Community-Relations
- Criminology
- Critical Issues in Law Enforcement

Lecturer, University at Albany

Aug 2015-May 2019

- Field Practice I
- Field Practice II

Adjunct Instructor, Union College, Schenectady, NY

Aug 2014-May 2015

- Domestic and Family Violence

Police Instructor, NYPD Police Academy

June 2005-Feb 2009

- Law
- Police Science
- Behavioral Science

ACCEPTED PUBLICATIONS

Gandarilla-Javier, S., Rhodes, D.J. (2026). Navigating IPV and social support services: Latina survivors of IPV testimonials. *Journal of Health and Social Work*.

Rhodes, D. J., **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, Smith, J. M., & Reichelderfer, T. (2026). Preparing Social Work Students for Law Enforcement Roles: Qualitative Insights from Practitioners. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 1–20.

<https://doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2026.2620751>.

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>.

Rhodes, D. J., Smith, J. M., Geyton, T. A., **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, & Antwi, K. E. (2025). A Secondary Qualitative Analysis of U.S. Social Workers' Perspectives on a Post-2020 Policing Era. *Families in Society: The Journal of Contemporary Social Services*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/10443894251376395>

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.**, Antwi, K., & Stewart, N. (revised & resubmitted). Intersecting Harms: Structural and Social Determinants of Firearm Suicide in Black and Latino Youth. Submitted: February 18, 2026

Rhodes, D.J., **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, Greenfield, K., Hamic, L., Reichelderfer, T., Antwi, K., & Szempruch, J. (under review). The roles of mental health clinicians in police settings: A scoping review. Submitted: November 18, 2025.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (in progress). Understanding Intimate Partner Violence Through a Feminist Participatory Action Research Perspective. *Feminist Criminology Journal*

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

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (in progress). Inside the Domestic Violence Unit: A Feminist Collaborative Autoethnography of Latina Police Officers.

ACCEPTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (Accepted May 28, 2026). Understanding Law Enforcement Response to IPV: A Collaborative Conversation. Forensic Social Work Alliance Conference New Orleans, LA.

Rhodes, D.J., **Gandarilla-Javier, S.**, Buehler, Anjali. (Accepted May 27, 2026). Police Response to Intimate Partner Violence: A Scoping Review. Poster Presentation. Forensic Social Work Alliance Conference New Orleans, LA

Gandarilla-Javier, S. (Accepted March 4, 2026). Latinas' Perception of Law Enforcement who Respond to Intimate Partner Violence Calls: A Qualitative Inquiry. ACJS Conference in Philadelphia, PA.

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

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

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

Feminist Criminology
Violence Against Women
Behavioral Sciences

February 2026
December 2025
January 2026

Social Sciences
Health and Justice
Families in Society
Journal for Urban Social Work
Journal for Advancing Justice

October 2025
May 2025
December 2024
May 2022
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 Faculty-Student Disciplinary Hearings
2/2026-8/2026 8 Week Course Conversion Project
8/2025-8/2026 Curriculum Committee Law, Police Science & CRJ Adm
8/2025- 8/2026 Student Grade Appeal Committee
1/2025- 8/2026 Student Activities Association Board of Directors (Alternative)
10/2024-8/2026 Faculty Senate’s Committee on Racial Justice & Inclusion

EXTERNAL SERVICE

2026-2027 Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences: Vice Chair of Policing Section

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

SOCIAL WORK 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**

LAW ENFORCEMENT

1998-2008 Policewoman New York City Police Department

- Domestic Violence Unit at the 23rd Precinct Domestic Violence Unit/Highway Safety. 1999-2004
- Police Cadet Corp/ Academy Instructor 2006 -2008

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

SCHOLARSHIPS

2/2026 OAR Enhanced Travel Award \$1766

9/2026 OAR Open Access Stipend \$1795

Spring 2026 Faculty Fellowship Publication Program (FFPP)-1 Course Release

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 2026
- National Association of Social Workers-Florida Chapter-President 2022-2024
- National Association of Social Workers-Vice President-2024-2025
- New York City Patrolmen Association (PBA)-Lifetime
- Latino Social Work Organization (LSWO)-2025
- American Society of Criminology (ASC)-October 2026
- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences December 2026
- 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 **Feb 2028**
- CITI Conflicts of Interest **Sep. 2026**
- 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**