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EDUCATION

PhD	University of Washington (Social Welfare)	June 2017 (anticipated)
	Dissertation: <i>Social lives and networks of bisexual older adults</i> Qualifying Paper: <i>Sexuality of midlife and older women: Uses of theory</i> , Passed with distinction	
MSW	University of Washington (Concentration: Multigenerational practice)	June 2013
	Thesis: <i>Older women and sexuality: Narratives of gender, age, and living environment</i>	
BA	University of Michigan (Concentration: Psychology and Sociology)	June 2011
	Thesis: <i>Immigration and intergenerational relations: Effects of immigration status and duration of stay</i>	

AWARDS, HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2016 Pride Foundation Academic Scholarship, finalist
- 2016 Point Foundation Academic Scholarship, semi-finalist
- 2016 American Society on Aging Student Travel Award
- 2015 American Society on Aging Graduate Student Paper Award
- 2014 Association for Gerontological Education in Social Work Pre-dissertation Scholar
- 2014 Healthy Generations, Hartford Center of Excellence in Geriatric Social Work Scholar
- 2014 Graduate School Fund of Excellence and Innovation Fellowship
- 2013 Washington State Society for Clinical Social Work Outstanding Student Paper Award
- 2013 Student Recognition Award for Contributions to the UW School of Social Work
- 2012 University of Washington Retirement Association Fellowship in Aging

RESEARCH FOCUS & EXPERIENCE

Interests

Diversity aging issues; health and well-being of LGBT older adults; social lives and experiences of bisexual women and men; sexuality and sexual lives of older women; qualitative and mixed methods research.

Experience

Research Assistant and Interviewer

July 2014-Current

University of Washington School of Social Work

Aging with Pride: National Health, Aging, Sexuality & Gender Study

(PI: Karen Fredriksen-Goldsen)

Participated as active research team member with NIH/NIA funded (R01) national study, including measurement development, face-to-face interviewing and collection of biomarkers, cleaned and analyzed qualitative and quantitative data, collaborated in writing co-authored peer-review publications, and presented findings at academic conferences.

Research Assistant

December 2014-December 2015

Council on Social Work Education

National Center for Gerontological Social Work Education

Reviewed literature and assisted with writing online teaching resources.

Research Assistant

October 2011-June 2012

University of Washington School of Social Work

Elder-Friendly Futures Initiative

Coordinated focus groups and survey distribution and collection with community partners.

Research Assistant and Interviewer

September 2010-April 2011

University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research

Health and Retirement Study (PI: Jacqui Smith)

Conducted face-to-face computer-assisted interviews, input and analyzed data using multi-model linear regressions, and participated in measurement development.

Research Assistant

September 2008- May 2009

University of Michigan Psychology Department

Family Transitions Study (PI: Brenda Volling)

Video-recorded in-person interviews and parent/child behaviors in lab and in participants' homes, coded parent/child behaviors and interactions, and input data.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed publications- in press

Fredriksen-Goldsen, K. I., & **Jen, S.**, Bryan, A., & Goldsen, J. (2016). Cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, and other dementias in the lives of LGBT older adults and their caregivers: Needs and competencies. *Journal of Applied Gerontology*.

Jen, S. (2017, summer). Older women and sexuality: Narratives of gender, age, and living environment. *Journal of Women & Aging*.

Under review

Fredriksen-Goldsen, K. I., Bryan, A. E. B., **Jen, S.**, Goldsen, J., & Kim, H.-J. The unfolding of LGBT lives: Key events associated with health and well-being in later life. *The Gerontologist*.

Goldsen, J., Bryan, A. E. B., Muraco, A., Kim, H.-J., **Jen, S.**, & Fredriksen-Goldsen, K. I. Who says I do: The changing context of marriage and health and quality of life for LGBT midlife and older adults. *The Gerontologist*.

Kim, H.-J., **Jen, S.**, & Fredriksen-Goldsen, K. I. Race/ethnicity and health-related quality of life among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older adults. *The Gerontologist*.

Lewis, J. P., & **Jen, S.** Indigenous elders in residence program in an MSW program to promote diversity and inclusion. *Journal of Social Work Education*.

Under development

Jen, S. Sexuality of midlife and older women: Uses of theory. *The Gerontologist*.

Additional publications

Almgren, G., Diwan, S., & **Jen, S.** (2016). Typology of chronic illness and impact on the family. Council on Social Work Education, Gero-Ed Center.

Christ, G., & **Jen, S.** (2016). Chronic illness and aging: Cancer as a chronic life threatening condition. Council on Social Work Education, Gero-Ed Center.

Christ, G., Diwan, S., & **Jen, S.** (2016). Chronic illness and aging: The role of social work in managing chronic illness care. Council on Social Work Education, Gero-Ed Center.

Fredriksen-Goldsen, K. I., Kim, H.-J., Goldsen, J., **Jen, S.**, & Shiu, C. A. (2015). *National health, aging, and sexuality study newsletter*. Seattle, WA: National Health, Aging, and Sexuality Study.

Jen, S. (2015, November). Forming a better understanding of older women's sexuality: Recognizing living environment as a relevant factor, *NASW Specialty Practice Sections: Aging Section Connection*.

Jen, S. (2015, March). A 25-year old's journey into gerontology, *Aging Today*.

Kim, H.-J., Acey, K., Guess, A., **Jen, S.**, & Fredriksen-Goldsen, K. I. (2016). GRIOT circle and Caring and Aging with Pride: Promoting health and wellness of LGBT older adults of color. *Generations*.

Rizzo, V., & **Jen, S.** (2016). Chronic illness and aging: Osteoarthritis - A chronic incapacitating disease. Council on Social Work Education, Gero-Ed Center.

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

Jen, S. (2016, March). *Late life gender transitions and their effects on women's sexual experiences*. Poster presented at American Society on Aging Annual Conference, Washington D.C.

Lustbader, W. & **Jen, S.** (2016, March). *Flashbacks without words: Responding to previously traumatized people with dementia*. Workshop presented at American Society on Aging Annual Conference, Washington D.C.

Jen, S. (2015, March). *Women and sexuality: Narratives of gender, age, and living environment*. Poster presented at American Society on Aging Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.

Under review

Clark, T., **Jen, S.**, & Johnston, T. *Bisexuality: What's aging got to do with it?* American Society on Aging Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Jen, S. *Current smoking among older sexual minority women: Effects of age and orientation*. Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

Jen, S. *Sexuality of midlife and older women: Uses of theory*. Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

Jen, S. *Smoking among older sexual minority women: Effects of age and sexual orientation*. American Society on Aging Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Jen, S. *Sexuality of midlife and older women: Uses of theory*. 21st IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, San Francisco, CA.

TEACHING INTEREST & EXPERIENCE

Interests

Adult development and aging; multigenerational and intergenerational practice; critical engagement with intellectual and historical foundations of social work practice and policy; research methods and theory.

Experience

Intellectual and Historical Foundations of Social Welfare Fall 2016
UW School of Social Work (MSW foundation course)
Sole Instructor

Caring for Persons with Life-Limiting Illnesses: A Lifespan Approach Spring 2015
UW School of Social Work (MSW elective)
Teaching Intern (Instructor: Bonnie Schulz)

Introduction to Social Welfare Policy Winter 2015
UW School of Social Work (BASW foundation course)
Teaching Assistant (Instructor: Dr. Gunner Almgren)

Introduction to Research Methods Fall 2013
UW School of Social Work (BASW foundation course)
Teaching Assistant (Instructor: Dr. Todd Herrenkohl)

Invited University Lectures/Presentations

Sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity April 2016
Course: Adult Development and Aging (MSW elective)

Identity and social roles in end-of-life care (MSW elective) November 2015
Course: Caring for Persons with Life-Limiting Illnesses: A Lifespan Approach (Graduate Course)

Aging aggressions: Ageism in society and the academy February 2015
University of Washington Campus Conversation hosted by the Graduate and Professional Student Senate Diversity Committee

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Post-MSW Experience

In-Home Caregiver June 2011-Current
Home Instead Senior Care
Provide companionship and assistance with ADLs and IADLs to older adults living with dementia.

Social Worker June 2013-October 2013
Veteran's Administration, Homemaker/Home Health Aide Program
Assessed care needs of Veterans living in the community; evaluated eligibility to receive financial support to access in-home caregiving services; coordinated with caregiving agencies to meet Veterans' needs.

Additional Experience

Social Work Intern

Veteran's Administration, Community Living Center

2012-2013

Provided care management services to Veterans receiving sub-acute rehabilitation, hospice, palliative, long-term, and respite care.

Social Work Intern

January 2012-June 2012

Washington Care Center

Provided care management and discharge planning services to older adults receiving sub-acute rehabilitation, hospice, palliative, and long-term care.

Patient Care Provider, Inpatient Float staff

April 2008-June 2011

Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services in Grand Rapids, MI

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society on Aging

Association for Gerontology Education in Social Work

Gerontological Society of America

National Association Social Work

Washington State Society for Clinical Social Work

REVIEWER ACTIVITIES

Journal of Homosexuality

Journal of Bisexuality

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Student leader and event organizer

September 2012-Current

Gerontology Social Work Group

Committee Member

September 2015-Current

Social Work Distinguished Alumni Awards Committee

Committee Member (Elected student representative)

2015-2016

Social Work PhD Program Awards Committee

School of Social Work Senator (Elected student representative)

2014-2015

Graduate and Professional Student Senate and Diversity Committee

Student leader, Event organizer <i>Social Work Women's Group</i>	2012-2013
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COMMUNITY SERVICE

LGBTQ Allyship, Board Member	May 2016-Current
LGBTQ Allyship Volunteer, Leadership Institute participant <i>Recipient of Community Service Award, 2014 and 2015</i>	June 2014-Current
Jewish Family Services ESL Volunteer and ESL instructor, Ann Arbor, MI	2010-2011
Sunrise Senior Living Volunteer, Ann Arbor, MI	2009-2010
Washtenaw County Shelter Volunteer and floor monitor, Ann Arbor, MI,	2008-2009
Holland Home Raybrook Manor Volunteer, Grand Rapids, MI	2005-2007

REFERENCES

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