

Curriculum Vitae  
**Deborah Lefkowitz, PhD, OPN–CG**  
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## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Social Ecology University of California, Irvine, California	2019
A.B., Visual and Environmental Studies, <i>summa cum laude</i> Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts	1981

## RESEARCH

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Health and social policy
- Cancer survivorship
- Oncology navigation
- Disability and employment
- Economic consequences of cancer treatment (financial toxicity)
- Health disparities

### RESEARCH POSITIONS

Assistant Professional Researcher School of Public Policy University of California, Riverside, California	2022–present
Adjunct Assistant Professor Associate Member of the Faculty of Graduate Studies School of Nursing University of Victoria, Canada	2021–present 2024–present
Research Associate University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona	2021–2023
Assistant Professional Researcher Center for Social Innovation and School of Public Policy University of California, Riverside, California	2021–2022
Assistant Professional Researcher Center for Health Disparities Research and Department of Anthropology University of California, Riverside, California	2020–2021
Assistant Project Scientist Department of Population Health and Disease Prevention, Program in Public Health Susan and Henry Samueli College of Health Sciences University of California, Irvine, California	2019–2020

### RESEARCH SUPPORT

University of Wisconsin Retirement and Disability Research Center and Institute for Research on Poverty, Extramural Mentored Fellowship (Lefkowitz, PI) Long COVID as Disability: Barriers to Workplace Accommodations and SSA Benefits Role: Principal Investigator \$45,000	2024–2025
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American Cancer Society, Navigation Capacity-Building Initiative Grant (Nonzee, PI) Enhanced Vulnerable Elders Navigation (EVEN) Program Role: Co-Investigator (with investigators at City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center) \$300,000	2022–2024
University of Arizona Family & Community Medicine Research Pilot Grants Program (Armin, Bernstein, Lefkowitz, PIs) Understanding Experiences of Cancer among People with Serious Mental Health Concerns Role: co-Principal Investigator \$24,913	2022–2023
NIH/National Institute on Minority Health & Health Disparities, U54 FIRST Pilot Award Financial/Legal Disparities among Southern California Breast Cancer Patients and Survivors Role: Principal Investigator \$30,000	2021–2023
NIH/National Institute on Minority Health & Health Disparities U54MD013368-02S2 Administrative Supplement (Lo, PI) COVID-19 Vaccine Attitudes of Inland Empire Uninsured and Medi-Cal Recipients Role: Lead Researcher \$199,526	2020–2023
NIH/National Cancer Institute F31CA192478 (Lefkowitz, PI) Mapping Breast Cancer Survivorship and the Survivor Institutional Interface Role: Principal Investigator \$106,863	2016–2018

## RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

University of Wisconsin Retirement and Disability Research Center and Institute for Research on Poverty Extramural Mentored Fellow	2024–2025
NIH/National Institute on Minority Health & Health Disparities Health Disparities Research Institute Scholar	2021
California Breast Cancer Research Program, QuickStart Fellow In collaboration with the Cancer Legal Resource Center	2019–2020
School of Social Ecology, University of California, Irvine Dean’s Inclusive Excellence Research Award	2019
University of California Humanities Research Institute, Fellow Residential Research Group “The History of Mortality: Interdisciplinary Approaches”	2015
School of Social Ecology, Summer Graduate Research Fellowships University of California, Irvine, California	2012–2015
Center for Organizational Research (COR), Small Grant University of California, Irvine, California	2013–2014
University of California Irvine Graduate Division Two Graduate Growth Initiative Awards to work with Director of Nursing Science Role: Graduate Student Researcher	2012, 2013
National Science Foundation, Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention	2012, 2013

## RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

### JOURNAL ARTICLES & POLICY COMMENTARIES

5. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2025). 'Doing' eligibility through income thresholds: Organisational practices in US financial assistance programmes for women with breast cancer. *Critical Social Policy*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1177/02610183251324117>
4. **Lefkowitz, D.**, Keeves, C., Urquiza, K., & Gordon, J. B. (2023, August 29). The commercialization of COVID-19 vaccines raises equity concerns. *Health Affairs Forefront*. doi: [10.1377/forefront.20230828.980611](https://doi.org/10.1377/forefront.20230828.980611)
3. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2022, August). Black boxes and information pathways: An actor-network theory approach to breast cancer survivorship care. *Social Science & Medicine*, 307, 115184. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.115184>
  - **Media coverage:** Pittalwala, I. (2022, August 1). Study examines 'black boxing' in breast cancer survivorship care: UC Riverside researcher argues important post-treatment information is concealed. *UCR News*. <https://news.ucr.edu/articles/2022/08/01/study-examines-black-boxing-breast-cancer-survivorship-care>
  - **Media coverage:** Harrison, P. (2022, August 5). Breast cancer: Transition to post-treatment can be challenging. *Medscape*. <https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/978708>
2. **Lefkowitz, D.**, & Armin, J. S. (2021, May). Why employment during and after COVID-19 is a critical women's health issue. *Women's Health Issues*, 31(3), 190-194. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.whi.2020.12.004>
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (1993). Editing from life. *Women in German Yearbook: Feminist Studies in German Literature & Culture*, 8, 199-215. doi:10.1353/wgy.1993.0001

### BOOK CHAPTERS

3. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2023). Numbers as narrative: How staging numbers shape women's understanding of breast cancer survival. In T. Casal & M. J. Cabral (Eds.), *Global perspectives on probing narratives in healthcare*. IGI Global. <https://www.igi-global.com/chapter/numbers-as-narrative/324295>.
2. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2003). Filming point of view. In D. P. Freedman & O. Frey, (Eds.), *Autobiographical writing across the disciplines: A reader* (pp. 292-307). Durham-London: Duke University Press.
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (1999). On silence and other disruptions. In D. Waldman & J. Walker (Eds.), *Feminism and documentary* (pp. 244-266). Minneapolis-London: University of Minnesota Press.

### PUBLIC-FACING PUBLICATIONS

1. **Lefkowitz, D.**, & Wolfe, R. (2025 Apr 22). How will federal budget cuts affect your cancer patients? *Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators*. <https://www.aonnonline.org/blog/how-will-federal-budget-cuts-affect-your-cancer-patients>

### JOURNAL ARTICLES IN PROGRESS

3. Landes, S. D., Swenor, B. K., Hall, J. P., Forber-Pratt, A. J., Vaitiakhovich, N., Caldwell, K., Kakara, M., **Lefkowitz, D.**, Myers, A., Popkin, S. J., Reed, N. S., Rothman, E. F., Salinger, M. The disability mismatch: The case for a comprehensive disability measure. Submitted.
2. **Lefkowitz, D.**, & Reddy, V. Trusted information, not trusted messengers: COVID-19 vaccine decision-making among uninsured adults and Medicaid beneficiaries. Submitted.

1. **Lefkowitz, D.** Temporal precarity of employment rights under the Americans with Disabilities Act: A qualitative exploration of long COVID accommodations. In preparation.

## PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS

6. Nonzee, N. J., Razavi, M., Dale, W., Cai, L., Mercurio, A., Gaytan, L., **Lefkowitz, D.**, Kim, C., Hernandez, T., Morales, S., Duque, D., Tergas, A. I. (2024, March 22). Determinants of time to cancer treatment initiation at a comprehensive cancer center [Abstract]. In: Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research Annual Meeting 2024, Part 1 (Regular Abstracts) 2024 Apr 5-10, San Diego, CA. *Cancer Research*, 84(6\_Suppl): Abstract nr 2237. <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.AM2024-2237>
5. Tergas, A., Mercurio, A., Cai, L., Gaytan, L., Razavi, M., **Lefkowitz, D.**, Kim, C., Hernandez, T., Morales, S., Dale, W., Nonzee, N. (2023, December 1). Enhanced Vulnerable Elders Navigation (EVEN) program: Increasing patient navigation capacity and sustainability [Abstract]. In: Proceedings of the 16th AACR Conference on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, 2023 Sep 29-Oct 2, Orlando, FL. *Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers, & Prevention*, 32(12\_Suppl), Abstract A122. <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7755.DISP23-A122>
4. Bender, M., & **Lefkowitz, D.** (2020). Clinical routines as an under-explored yet critical component of context in implementation science. [Abstract]. *Implementation Science*, 15(1\_Suppl), S26. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13012-020-00985-1>
3. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2020). Access to breast cancer survivorship care in a medically underserved region: Examining the role of non-medical providers. In: Proceedings of the Twelfth AACR Conference on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, 2019 Sep 20-23, San Francisco, CA. *Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention*, 6(2\_Suppl), Abstract A119. doi: 10.1158/1538-7755.DISP19-A119
2. Bender, M., Burtson, P., & **Lefkowitz, D.** (2019). The relationality of intervention, context, and implementation: A prospective case study examining the adoption of an evidence-informed nursing care model. [Abstract]. *Implementation Science*, 14(1\_Suppl), S29. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13012-019-0878-2>
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2018, March 1). A social ecological study of access to breast cancer survivorship services. [Abstract]. *Journal of Clinical Oncology*, 36(7S), 31-31. doi:10.1200/JCO.2018.36.7\_suppl.31

## INVITED ARTICLES

2. **Lefkowitz, D.** (1992, March). Beyond familiar stereotypes: Mediating between subject and viewer. *Radcliffe Quarterly*, 78(1), 25-26.
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (1985, June). Filming the relationship between work and self. *Second Century Radcliffe News*, 9.

## PRESENTATIONS

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

25. Nonzee, N. J., Wang, Y., Cai, L., Mercurio, A., Gaytan, L., Razavi, M., **Lefkowitz, D.**, Hernandez, T., Kim, C., Morales, S., Duque, D., Luna, Z., Dale, W., Tergas, A. I. (2024, July 1). Changes in no-show rates after implementation of an oncology navigation enhancement program targeting vulnerable populations. Poster presentation. AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland.
24. Nonzee, N. J., Razavi, M., Dale, W., Cai, L., Mercurio, A., Gaytan, L., **Lefkowitz, D.**, Kim, C., Hernandez, T., Morales, S., Duque, D., Tergas, A. I. (2024, April 8). Determinants of time to cancer treatment initiation at a comprehensive cancer center. Poster presentation. American Association for Cancer Research Annual Meeting 2024, San Diego, California.
23. Tergas, A. I., Mercurio, A., Cai, L., Gaytan, L., Kim, C., Hernandez, T., Morales, S., Razavi, M.,

- Lefkowitz, D., Dale, W., & Nonzee, N.** (2023, September 29). Enhanced Vulnerable Elders Navigation Program: Increasing Patient Navigation Capacity and Sustainability. Poster presentation. 16th American Association for Cancer Research Conference on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, Orlando, Florida.
22. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2021, June 24). Survival numbers: Patients' understanding of breast cancer staging. Paper presentation. Caring and Sharing Conference: Health and Humanities in Today's World, Lisbon, Portugal (*virtual meeting due to COVID-19*).
- (2021, June 24). Panel Chair, panel entitled "The narratives of numbers: How numbers shape understandings of disease and illness." Caring and Sharing Conference: Health and Humanities in Today's World, Lisbon, Portugal (*virtual meeting due to COVID-19*).
21. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2021, May 28). Legal empowerment, information flows, and access to breast cancer care. Paper presentation. Law & Society Annual Meeting (*virtual meeting due to COVID-19*).
20. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2020, August 26). Small multiples for qualitative research. Paper presentation. A Festival of Ethnography 2020 (Replacing the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Ethnography Symposium), Ipswich, England (*virtual meeting due to COVID-19*).
19. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2020, August 19). Becoming countable: U.S. cancer policy and the temporality of numbers. Paper presentation. European Association for the Study of Science and Technology (EASST) & Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Joint Conference, Prague, Czech Republic (*virtual meeting due to COVID-19*).
18. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2020, May 30). Panel Chair & Discussant, panel entitled "Challenges to decision-making at the end of life." Law & Society Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado (*virtual meeting due to COVID-19*).
17. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2020, May 29). Women Waiting for Breasts: Legal Entitlement and Hidden Exclusions to Breast Reconstruction Under WHCRA (Women's Health & Cancer Rights Act). Paper presentation. Law & Society Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado (*virtual meeting due to COVID-19*).
16. **Bender, M., & Lefkowitz, D.** (2019, December 5). Clinical routines as an under-explored yet critical component of context in implementation science. Paper presentation. 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination & Implementation in Health, Washington, DC.
15. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2019, September 20). Access to breast cancer survivorship care in a medically underserved region: Examining the role of non-medical providers. Poster presentation. 12<sup>th</sup> American Association for Cancer Research Conference on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities in Racial/Ethnic Minorities and the Medically Underserved, San Francisco, California.
14. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2019, September 7). Mapping information pathways for breast cancer survivors. Paper presentation. Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- (2019, September 7). Panel Chair, panel entitled "Science and technological innovation in the re-making of public policy and governance across global and local space." Society for Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana.
13. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2019, June 3). Eligibility as a potential driver of access disparities for breast cancer services. Poster presentation. Academy Health Annual Research Meeting, Washington, DC.
12. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2019, June 2). Falling through the financial safety net after breast cancer: An empirical study. Paper presentation. Law & Society Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
11. **Bender, M., Burtson, P., & Lefkowitz, D.** (2018, December 3). The relationality of intervention, context, and implementation: A prospective case study examining the adoption of an evidence-informed nursing care model. Paper presentation in "Breaking Boundaries in Implementation Science: New Frontiers & Future Directions." 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on the Science of Dissemination and Implementation in Health, Washington, DC.
10. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2018, February 16). A social ecological study of access to breast cancer survivorship services. Poster presentation. Cancer Survivorship Symposium: Advancing Care and Research, Orlando, Florida.
- (2018, June 9). Poster presentation. UC Irvine's Chao Family Comprehensive Cancer Center Annual Scientific Meeting, Huntington Beach, California.

9. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2017, August 30). Mapping the ecology of breast cancer survivorship. Paper presentation. International Ethnography Symposium, Manchester, England.
8. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2017, August 29). Journeys and breast cancer navigation. Paper presentation. International Ethnography Symposium, PhD Course "Doing Ethnography of Reforms in Public Organizations," Manchester, England.
7. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2017, June 26). Disparities in access for breast cancer survivors: A social ecological analysis. Poster presentation. Academy Health Annual Research Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana.
6. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2016, February 27). Language games in breast cancer survivorship and the survivor institutional interface. Paper presentation. West Coast Law & Society Retreat, UC Irvine School of Law, Irvine, California.
5. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2016, January 8). The *Affordable Care Act* and the language of access: Statutory ambiguity and metaphoric enactments. Paper presentation. Socio-Legal Studies Workshop, UC Irvine School of Law, Irvine, California.
4. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2015, August 14). The language of need vs. the language of care in breast cancer survivorship. Paper presentation. West Coast Roundtable on Law and Language, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.
3. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2014, May 30). The institutional construction of cancer as a disability. Poster presentation. UC Irvine Center for Organizational Research, Irvine, California.
2. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2014, April 19). Breast cancer survivorship as interactional process between embodied experience and institutional practices in California's Inland Empire. Paper presentation. UC Graduate Student Workshop "Bodies, Spaces, and Memories: An Interdisciplinary Approach through Theory and Practice," Irvine, California.
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2010, October 24). The Art of Waiting and the Medical Waiting Room. Paper presentation. American Society for Bioethics and Humanities Annual Meeting, San Diego, California.

### INVITED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

23. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2025, February 3). "Counting" invisible work: EVEN Program – Stakeholder interview findings. Paper presentation, EVEN Program Community Advisory Board meeting. Virtual event.
22. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2024, November 12). CMS Principal Illness Navigation (PIN) billing codes: Opportunities and challenges. Paper presentation, CARG (Cancer and Aging Research Group) bimonthly meeting. Virtual event.
21. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2024, July 3). Tracing connections: Using Actor-Network Theory to follow information flows in breast cancer survivorship care. Paper presentation, Master of Nursing Research class, School of Nursing, University of Victoria, Canada. Virtual event.
20. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2023, June 2). Exploring access and barriers to care in public health policy. Podcast interview by UCR Public Policy Dean's Ambassadors R. Strausman & K. Karami, UC Riverside School of Public Policy. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M4mjoVkbJHo>.
19. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2023, March 8). Navigating Financial Chutes & Ladders for Women with Breast Cancer in Southern California. Paper presentation, BFF Seminar for HDR@UCR Center for Health Disparities Research. Virtual event.
18. **Lefkowitz, D., Reddy, V., & Camacho, L.** (2022, October 28). Trust in COVID-19 vaccine information among uninsured adults and Medicaid beneficiaries. Poster presentation, NIH/National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities Virtual Grantee Meeting, "Promoting COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy and Uptake Among Populations Who Experience Health Disparities." Virtual meeting.
17. **Lefkowitz, D., Camacho, L., & Reddy, V.** (2022, May 2). COVID-19 vaccine attitudes of Inland Empire Uninsured and Medi-Cal recipients. Presentation, California CEAL (Community Engagement Alliance) Against COVID-19 Disparities. Virtual meeting.

16. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2022, April 19). Access and exclusion: A social ecological approach to breast cancer disparities in the Inland Empire. Paper presentation, "Honoring Minority Cancer Awareness Week: Tackling Cancer Burden and Disparities in the Inland Empire," an event co-sponsored by City of Hope's Center of Community Alliance for Research & Education (CCARE) and Community Health Association Inland Southern Region (CHAISR). Virtual event.
15. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2022, February 24). Financial/Legal disparities among Southern California breast cancer patients and survivors. Presentation, HDR@UCR Annual Symposium, University of California, Riverside. Virtual event.
14. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2022, January 18). Data visualization and mapping. Workshop for the Center for Social Innovation, School of Public Policy, University of California, Riverside. Virtual event.
13. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2021, March 3). Mapping access to cancer care using qualitative research methods. Paper presentation, PhD Seminar: Nursing and Interdisciplinary Research to Improve Human Health. School of Nursing, University of California, Irvine. Virtual event.
12. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2021, February 26). Panel discussion. HDR@UCR Annual Symposium. Panel entitled "Addressing health disparities in the COVID-19 pandemic," University of California, Riverside. Virtual event.
11. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2020, November 11). The role of information in health services. Research talk, Anthropology of Global Health. Department of Anthropology, University of California, Riverside. Virtual.
10. **Lefkowitz, D.** (*Postponed due to COVID-19*). Geographic disparities and access to breast cancer care: An Actor-Network Theory Approach. Program in Public Health, University of California, Irvine.
9. **Lefkowitz, D.** (*Postponed due to COVID-19*). Mapping access to cancer care using qualitative research methods. Gold Bag Speaker Series, School of Nursing, University of California, Irvine.
8. **Lefkowitz, D.** (*Postponed due to COVID-19*). Researching hard-to-reach patients in hard-to-reach places. Institute for Clinical & Translational Science, Community Health Research Exchange, University of California, Irvine.
7. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2019, November 22). Table host, Creating conditions for research justice: Establishing agreements with community partners: World café. Newkirk Community-based Research Initiative Workshop, Irvine, California.
6. Bender, M., & **Lefkowitz, D.** (2019, November 13). Clinical routines as an under-explored yet critical component of context in implementation science. Advancing Implementation Science (AIS) Lab Webinar. Implementation Research Group (IRG). Virtual event.
5. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2018, October 18). Accessing breast cancer care in the Inland Empire. Paper presentation. Inaugural Health Equity Symposium, UC Irvine College of Health Sciences, Irvine, California.
4. Invited panelist. (2018, October 18). Inaugural Health Equity Symposium, UC Irvine College of Health Sciences, Irvine, California.
3. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2017, December 6). The social ecology of breast cancer survivorship. Paper presentation. Roadmaps & Intersections: Accelerating to Drive New Models of Integrated Patient & Community Care, a Convening of the Healthy San Gabriel Valley Initiative, Glendora, California.
2. Invited panelist. (2015, November 10). Night at the movies: *Wit*. UC Irvine School of Medicine, Irvine, California.
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2013, January 18). Preliminary forensic nursing research findings. Paper presentation. UC Irvine Right to Know Peer Educators, Campus Assault Resources & Education (CARE), Irvine, California.

### INVITED COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

3. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2018, May 17). Report on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cancer Survivorship Symposium: Advancing Care and Research. Inland Empire Access to Cancer Care Coalition, Riverside, California.

2. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2016, May 19). Breast cancer survivorship research in the Inland Empire. The Group, a forum for discussing and responding to community issues that affect the African-American community, Riverside, California.
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2014, November 20). Report on 7<sup>th</sup> Biennial Cancer Survivorship Research Conference: Advancing Survivorship through Multilevel Collaboration. Inland Empire Access to Cancer Care Coalition, Riverside, California.

## PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

3. Olshansky, E., & **Lefkowitz, D.** (2013). 2012-2013 Graduate Growth Incentive Award (GgIA) final report: Forensic nursing. Prepared for Vice Provost-Dean Frances Leslie, UC Irvine Graduate Division.
2. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2013). Summary of recommendations and evidence-based findings from the Community Preventive Services Task Force on community programs and policies to improve breast and cervical cancer screening rates. Prepared for Orange County Breast & Cervical Cancer Task Force.
1. **Lefkowitz, D.** (2013). Summary of breast cancer incidence and mortality rates for the period 2006-2010 in the US, California, and Orange County with mortality rates broken down by race/ethnicity and compared to Healthy People 2020 goals for decreasing female breast cancer mortality rates. Prepared for Orange County Breast & Cervical Cancer Task Force.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### JOURNAL MANUSCRIPT REVIEWER

*BJC (British Journal of Cancer) Reports*  
*BMC Palliative Care*  
*BMC Women's Health*  
*Breast Cancer Research & Treatment*  
*Journal of Cancer Survivorship*  
*Journal of Organizational Ethnography*  
*Palliative Medicine*  
*Preventing Chronic Disease*  
*Qualitative Research in Health*  
*Social Science & Medicine*

### GRANT PROPOSAL REVIEWER

Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs 2013  
 Consumer Reviewer, Breast Cancer Research Program  
 Nominated by the American Cancer Society, California Division

### INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

EDICa-funded research project entitled "Gender and mental health conditions in UKHE: Reorganising inclusion in contemporary academia" (PI Dr Hadar Elraz, Swansea University with co-investigator Dr Armineh Soorenian, University of Sheffield) 2025  
 Steering Committee Member

**NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators (AONN+) Policy & Advocacy Committee Member	2022–present
Cancer Legal Resource Center Advisory Committee Member	2016–2024
Marked By Covid Policy Team Member	2022–2024

**STATE/REGIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Southern California Women's Cancer Conference Planning Committee Riverside Community Health Foundation	2021
Cancer Plan Collaboration Team for Breast Cancer California Dialog on Cancer	2016–2017

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

Inland Empire Access to Cancer Care Coalition Coalition increases cancer awareness and addresses barriers to cancer care.	2013–2022
Diversity & Inclusion Workgroup, Serving Undocumented Individuals Faced with Cancer American Cancer Society's West Region Workgroup increases understanding of challenges and barriers faced by undocumented individuals attempting to obtain cancer care, and identifies viable resources for referrals.	2018
Breast Health Collaborative Komen Inland Empire Affiliate Collaborative of hospitals, businesses and nonprofit organizations that provide breast health services in California's Riverside and San Bernardino counties.	2016–2018
Cancer Legal Resource Center Provided over 525 hours of intakes and callbacks to explain cancer-related legal and financial issues to patients and families through its national telephone assistance line.	2014–2017
American Cancer Society Selected for a leadership role as Volunteer Coordinator for Reach to Recovery, a program that provides one-on-one peer support and information to breast cancer patients. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nomination in 2014 for Terese Lasser Award, American Cancer Society, California Division Highest state level volunteer award for excellence in program services.</li> </ul>	2012–2015

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE****WORKSHOPS & TRAININGS**

Cancer Legal Resource Center Callback training for summer law clerks	2023, 2017–2020
Marked By Covid Eight-week qualitative research training for 1stGenYale Summer Bulldogs interns	2022

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May 2025

### **INTERNATIONAL VISITING LECTURER**

Pro-Arte Institute  
St. Petersburg, Russia 2006

Hungarian University of Craft and Design  
Budapest, Hungary 2004

### **LECTURER**

Loyola Marymount University  
Department of Communication Arts  
Los Angeles, California 1996–1997

University of California, Riverside  
Department of Literatures and Languages & Honors Program  
Riverside, California 1994–1996

Appalachian State University  
Department of Interdisciplinary Studies  
Boone, North Carolina 1993

### **TEACHING ASSISTANT**

University of California, Irvine  
School of Social Ecology  
Irvine, California 2011

### **GUEST LECTURER (SELECTED)**

University of California, Riverside, California  
Department of Anthropology 2002, 2005  
1995, 1998

University of the Pacific, Stockton, California  
Art Department 2003

Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, California  
Art Program 2002

California State University, Sacramento, California  
Art Department 2001, 2002

Exploratorium  
San Francisco, California 2001

University of California, Davis, California  
Art History Department 2001

California State University, San Bernardino, California  
Art Department 2000

Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan  
Jewish Studies Program 1995

University of California, Riverside, California  
Women's Studies Department 1995

**FILMMAKER / VISUAL ARTIST PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE****AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND HONORS**

Sally & Don Lucas Artists Programs at the Montalvo Arts Center, Saratoga, California Artist's Fellowship	2009
City of Los Angeles, Grand Opening of Fire Station 62, Mar Vista, California Certificate of Appreciation	2008
City of Los Angeles, Cultural Affairs Department, Fire Station 62, Mar Vista, California Public Art Commission	2003–2007
University of the Pacific, Stockton, California Visiting Artist-in-Residence	2003
California State University, Sacramento, California Visiting Artist-in-Residence	2002
California Arts Council Artist's Fellowship in New Genre	2001–2002
<i>Who's who in entertainment</i> Inclusion in 3rd edition	1998
Public Corporation for the Arts, Long Beach, California Public Art Commission	1997
Riverside Arts Foundation, Riverside, California Community Arts Partnership Grant	1996
Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa Convocation Speaker	1995
Leipzig Documentary & Animation Film Festival, Leipzig, Germany President of the International Film Jury	1992
<i>Who's who in entertainment</i> , Inclusion in 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition	1991
Women in German Annual Conference, Great Barrington, Massachusetts Keynote Speaker	1991
Massachusetts Cultural Council MassProductions Grant	1989–1990, 1987–1988
Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Massachusetts Visiting Filmmaker	1985–1987
Massachusetts Cultural Council Artist's Fellowship	1986

**FILM FESTIVAL AWARDS (SELECTED)**

North Carolina International Film & Video Festival, Fayetteville, North Carolina 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Documentary	1991
New England Film & Video Festival, Boston, Massachusetts Outstanding Social Documentary	1991
USA Festival/National Short Film & Video Competition, Dallas, Texas Special Jury Award	1991
Oberhausen Festival of Short Films, Oberhausen, Germany Special Mention	1991

**FILM PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS (SELECTED)**

University of New Hampshire, Durham, New Hampshire	1992, 2005
Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, California	2002
Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Dresden, Germany	2001
Zeitgeschichtliches Forum, Leipzig, Germany	2001
Villa ten Hompel, Münster, Germany	2001
University of California, Davis, California	2001
Zeitgeschichtliches Forum, Leipzig, Germany	2001
University of Judaism, Los Angeles, California	1999
Pomona College, Claremont, California	1998
San Diego State University, San Diego, California	1997
University of Southern California	1996
Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan	1995
Arsenal Kino, Berlin, Germany	1994
Kino im Kasten, Dresden, Germany	1994
Palast-Filmtheater Kino, Görlitz, Germany	1994
Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota	1993
Hollins College, Roanoke, Virginia	1993
Cornell Cinema, Ithaca, New York	1992
Cleveland Cinematheque, Cleveland, Ohio	1992
Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island	1992
University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts	1992
Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York	1992
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota	1992
Harvard Film Archive, Cambridge, Massachusetts	1991
Goethe-Institut, Los Angeles, California	1991
North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, North Carolina	1991
Goethe Haus, New York, New York	1991
Landesmuseum, Münster, Germany	1991
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts	1990
Boston Film/Video Foundation, Boston, Massachusetts	1988
The Jewish Museum, New York, New York	1986
Skulpturenmuseum, Marl, Germany	1986
Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, Massachusetts	1981, 1984
Pleasant Street Theater, Northampton, Massachusetts	1981
Coolidge Corner Theater, Brookline, Massachusetts	1981

**OTHER FILM SCREENINGS (SELECTED)**

New England Film & Video Festival, Boston, Massachusetts	2001
Brighton Jewish Film Festival, Brighton, ENGLAND	1998
Museum of Modern Art, New York, New York	1993
Leipzig Documentary and Animation Film Festival, Leipzig, GERMANY	1991
Amiens International Film Festival, Amiens, FRANCE	1991
The Jewish Film Festival, San Francisco, California	1991
Montreal World Film Festival, Montreal, CANADA	1991
Ann Arbor Festival and Festival Tour, Ann Arbor, Michigan	1983

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)**

International Scholars Conference on the Holocaust and the Churches University of Washington, Seattle	1998
Western Jewish Studies Association Annual Conference University of Judaism, Los Angeles, California	1998

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Conference on "Prophets and Losses: Jewish Experience in Visual Culture" Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas	1995
Conference on "Ethnicity, Race and Representation" Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia	1993
Conference on "Zum Wirken jüdischer Frauen in Europa" Berlin, Germany	1992
Conference on "The New Germany" University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland	1992
Conference on "Germany Today" American University, Washington, DC	1992

### TELEVISION AND CABLE TELEVISION (SELECTED)

The Learning Channel Cablecast in Program #1, <i>Ordinary People: Independent Portraits</i>	1986
Cable Channel 12A, Springfield, Massachusetts Cablecast on <i>Frameworks</i>	1985
WCVB-TV, Channel 5, Boston, Massachusetts Broadcast on <i>Nightshift</i>	1981

### FEATURED IN ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- Meskimmon, M. (2003). Exiled histories: Holocaust and Heimat. In *Women making art: History, subjectivity, aesthetics* (pp. 19-38). London: Routledge.
- Bernstein, M. (1994). A review of Deborah Lefkowitz's 'Intervals of Silence: Being Jewish in Germany.'" *Film Quarterly*, 47(4), pp. 29-35.

### FILM / ART REVIEWS (SELECTED)

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- News brief. The United States: Light installation. (2003). *World Sculpture News*, 9(3).
- Sheil, P. (2003, September 14). Following the light: Artist sculpts gallery space for personal odyssey. *The Sunday Record*.
- Itinerary: 'In the shadow of the hourglass.' (2002, September). *Sculpture*, 21(7).
- Ollman, L. (2002, August 23). Sculpting stories out of light and shadows. *Los Angeles Times*.
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- Roth, D. M. (2001, March). Deborah Lefkowitz at Memorial Union Art Gallery, UC Davis. *Artweek*, 32(3).
- Joselit, D. (1999). Catalog essay for installation *Shadow pieces*, El Camino College Art Gallery, Torrance, California.
- Grötter, R. (1999, August 25). Allegorisches Mitmach-Kino. *Berliner Zeitung*.
- Geer, S. (1999, May). Deborah Lefkowitz at El Camino College Art Gallery and the University of Judaism's Platt Gallery. *Artweek*, 30(5).
- Woodard, J. (1999, April 16). Shadow boxing: Artist's installation shines light on the alienation haunting Germany. *Los Angeles Times/Valley Edition*.

- Green, J. (1998). Catalog essay for installation *Illuminations from a moment past*, Wignall Museum/Gallery, Rancho Cucamonga, California.
- Papavérin, A. (1994, January 26). ...Jüdischsein in Deutschland. *Neues Deutschland*.
- Beutler, S. (1994, January 24). 'Intervalle des Schweigens' mit Szenen beklemmender Ohnmacht. Ein Film der leisen Töne erlebte einen beachtlichen Zuspruch. *Sächsische Zeitung*.
- Holz, G. (1994, January 21). Die Verantwortung trage ich. Deborah Lefkowitz über ihren Film *Intervalle des Schweigens*, den sie zu einer Rauminstallation verarbeitete. *Berliner Tageszeitung*.
- Die Gegenwart ist anders. (1991, December 14-20). *Nordamerikanische Wochen-Post*.
- Reflection on prejudice. (1991, December 2). 34. Internationales Leipziger Festival für Dokumentar- und Animationsfilm, *Dok '91, Bulletin 6*.
- Kaufman, E. (1991, April 19). 'Intervals of Silence: Being Jewish in Germany.' *The Hollywood Reporter*.
- Connors, J. (1992, March 15). Film an eloquent statement about Jews in Germany. *The Plain Dealer*.
- Apple, J. (1991, Winter). 'Intervals of Silence.' *High Performance*, 56.
- Galst, L. (1991, January). Intervals of silence: Against the grain. *Sojourner*, 16(5).
- Garrett, R. (1990, November 29). Odysseys of self-discovery at the MFA. *The Boston Globe*.
- Susman, G. (1990, November 23-30). 'Intervals of Silence.' *The Boston Phoenix*.
- Blowen, M. (1984, December 5). First film wins prizes for Debra [sic] Lefkowitz. *The Boston Globe*.

## FILM / ARTWORK

### PUBLIC ART COMMISSIONS

- Light Tower*, permanent kinetic light installation for Fire Station 62 (completed 2007)  
Sponsored by City of Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department, Los Angeles, California
- One Second Framed*, temporary window installation for East Village Arts District (completed 1997)  
Sponsored by Public Corporation for the Arts, Long Beach, California

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS: SITE-SPECIFIC INSTALLATIONS

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| <i>Songs of Twilight</i> , Richard & Marjorie Reynolds Gallery<br>University of the Pacific, Stockton, California | 2003 |
| <i>In the Shadow of the Hourglass</i> , Wignall Museum<br>Chaffey College, Rancho Cucamonga, California           | 2002 |
| <i>Light Chambers III</i> , Robert Else Gallery<br>California State University, Sacramento                        | 2002 |
| <i>Passages of Fading Light</i> , Memorial Union Art Gallery<br>University of California, Davis                   | 2001 |
| <i>An einem Faden/By a Thread</i> , Galerie Am Scheunenviertel<br>Berlin, Germany                                 | 2000 |
| <i>Against the Drifts of Time</i> , Robert V. Fullerton Art Museum<br>California State University, San Bernardino | 2000 |
| <i>Modulations of Key</i> , Biola University Art Gallery<br>Biola University, La Mirada, California               | 2000 |
| <i>Ausblendungen/Eclipses</i> , Galerie Am Scheunenviertel<br>Berlin, Germany                                     | 1999 |

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<i>Light Chambers</i> , Platt and Borstein Galleries University of Judaism, Los Angeles, California	1999
<i>Shadow Pieces</i> , El Camino College Art Gallery El Camino College, Torrance, California	1999
<i>Illuminations from a Moment Past</i> , Wignall Museum Chaffey College, Rancho Cucamonga, California	1998
<i>Choreography for Six Unending Seconds</i> , UCR/California Museum of Photography Riverside, California	1996
<i>Timescapes</i> , Metcalf Gallery California Baptist College, Riverside, California	1996
<i>Abstand und Annäherung/Between Distance and Proximity: Images &amp; Texts from the Film, Intervals of Silence</i> , Galerie Am Scheunenviertel, Berlin, Germany	1994

## FILM PRODUCTIONS

<i>Waiting, Walking, Watching, Whistling: A Performance for Passersby</i> (video, 10 mins) Director, Choreography, Editor	2001
<i>Choreography for Six Unending Seconds: An Opening-Night Performance</i> (video, 5 mins) Director, Choreographer, Editor	2001
<i>Intervals of Silence: Being Jewish in Germany</i> (16mm, 58 minutes) Director, Cinematographer, Editor	1990
<i>Letter to my Uncle</i> (16mm, 15 minutes) Director, Cinematographer, Editor	1981

## MEMBERSHIPS & CERTIFICATION

Society for Disability Studies (SDS)	2025–present
Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)	2025–present
Disability Data Equity Research Working Group	2024–present
All Things Configured – A Community of Practice focused on Configurational Comparative Methods	2023–present
National Cancer Legal Services Network	2022–present
Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (IAPHS)	2019–present
Society for Social Studies of Science (4S)	2018–present
AcademyHealth	2017–present
Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators (AONN+)	2016–present
• <u>Certification</u> : Oncology Patient Navigator—Certified Generalist (OPN-CG)	
Law and Society Association (LSA)	2015–present

## LANGUAGES

- German – fluent speaking, reading & writing
- Spanish – adequate speaking and good reading knowledge
- Russian, Dutch, Norwegian, and French – good reading knowledge