

Jessica Cho Kim, LCSW

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Expected 2024	Ph.D.	Social Welfare, University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice
2003	Postmaster's Fellowship	Child and Adolescent Mental Health, Yale University Child Study Center, School of Medicine
2002	M.S.S.W.	Social Work, Columbia University Advanced Clinical Practice in Health, Mental Health & Disabilities
1999	B.A.	Psychology, Rutgers University Minor East Asian Studies

PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

Korean American trauma epistemology and practice
Intersection of AAPI church and mental health
AAPI racialized trauma
AAPI curriculum in K-12 education

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021 June	SAMHSA Minority Fellowship Program Fellow of the Month Awarded to highlight impactful community work of fellows within grantee organizations
2021-2024	University of Pennsylvania – Inaugural Presidential PhD Fellowship Awarded to support accomplished and diverse PhD trainees
2021	University of Pennsylvania - Hal Levin Award Awarded to a meritorious PhD student in Social Welfare
2020-2023	CSWE Minority Fellowship Program Awarded nationally to support doctoral training in minority mental health research

GRANTS AND RESEARCH SUPPORT

- 2020-2021 Evidence-Supported SUD Training for MSW Students in Diverse Settings
Role: Evaluator (with M. Engstrom (PI), J. Corcoran, & N. Auge)
Funding Mechanism: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
Administration (SAMHSA); \$198,740.
- 2019 University of Pennsylvania – Social Welfare Summer Funding Award
\$6,100

PUBLICATIONS

Corcoran, J., Marinescu, I., Vogelsang, C., & **Kim, J. C.** (2022). Prevalence of depression during pregnancy and post-partum periods in low-income women in developed countries. *Journal of Public Health*.

Kim, J. C. (2021). From disparities to progress: Cultural reflexivity in framing Asian American mental health research. *Journal of Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in Social Work, 1-13*.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/15313204.2021.1913778>

Lu, W., **Kim, J. C.**, & Yoon, A., Yun, K., Solomon, P. (2021). Trends and disparities in unmet treatment needs for co-occurring depression and alcohol use disorders among young adults in the U.S. *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry*.

Jen, S., Harrop, E., Galambos, C., Mitchell, B., Willey-Shtapit, C., Smith, H. S., Gonzalez Benson, O., Baber, C., **Kim, J. C.**, & Zhou, Y. (2021). Discursive constructions during COVID-19: Calling for the critical analysis of discourse in social work in and beyond the pandemic. *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research*.

Corcoran, J., Marinescu, I., Vogelsang, C., **Kim, J. C.**, Morgan, S., & Watson-Baker, L. (2021). Prevalence of depression in low-income women living in developed countries. *Depression and Anxiety, 38*(10).

Masin-Moyer, M., **Kim, J. C.**, Engstrom, M., & Solomon, P. (2020). A scoping review of the trauma recovery and empowerment model (TREM). *Trauma, Violence, & Abuse, 1-17*.

Manuscripts Under Preparation

Engstrom, M., Mohrer, M., **Kim, J. C.**, Morgan, S., & Solomon, P. (In Preparation). A systematic scoping review of U.S. programs for pregnant women during and following incarceration in jail or prison.

Engstrom, M., **Kim, J. C.**, Golder, S., Higgins, G. E., & Logan, T. K. (In Preparation). Parenthood and victimization by intimate partners among women on probation and parole.

Lu, W., **Kim, J. C.**, & Yoon, A. (In Preparation). Factors associated with adherence to mental health service use among Asian American adolescents: Perspectives of adolescents, parents, and clinicians.

Kim, J.C. & Nguyen, D. (In Preparation). Beyond the Clinic: Navigating Racialized Trauma to Advance Asian American Mental Health

NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Kim, J. C. "A Call to Healing Asian Racialized Trauma," Trauma Venture, March 2021.
<https://tinyurl.com/JessicaChoKim>

BOOK CHAPTERS

Lu, W., **Kim, J. C.**, & Yoon, A. S. (2021). Pathways to Mental Health Service Use for Korean American Adolescents: A Case Study. In A. S. Yoon, S. Moon, & H. Son (Eds.), *Understanding Korean Americans' Mental Health: A Guide to Culturally Competent Practices, Program Developments, and Policies*. Lexington Books.

Kim, J.C. (In Preparation). Christianity and Social Work Practice

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Engstrom, M., Mohrer, M., **Kim, J. C.**, Morgan, S., Solomon, P. (2023, January). *Programs for pregnant women during and after incarceration*. Oral presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research.

Kim, J.C., Lu, W., & Yoon, A. (2022, January). *Mental health service adherence among Asian American adolescents: Asian clinician perspectives of facilitators and barriers*. Oral presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research.

Lu, W., **Kim, J. C.**, Yoon, A., Yun, K., & Solomon, P. (2022, January). *Unmet treatment needs for co-occurring depression and alcohol use disorders among young adults in the U.S.* Poster presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research.

Kim, J.C., (2021, January). *Cultural reflexivity in framing Asian American health and well-being*. Oral symposium presented at the Society for Social Work and Research, Virtual Conference.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Kim, J.C., (2024, March). *Racialized Trauma in AAPI Communities*. University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work. Keynote presentation for AAPI mental health symposium.

Kim, J.C., (2023, January). *Mental Health Ministry in the Asian American Church*. Princeton Theological Seminary Center for Asian American Christianity Conference. Plenary presentation.

Kim, J. C., (2022, November). *Social Work Policy and Practice for Racialized Trauma*. Guest lecture for SWRK 786 Trauma and Social Work Practice.

Kim, J. C., (2022, September). *Understanding Asian Racialized Trauma*. Not In Our Town (NIOT) Princeton Group. Keynote presentation for racial justice nonprofit organization.

Kim, J. C., (2022, September). *Communicating with School Districts*. Rutgers University College of Education. Panel presentation for AAPI curriculum state advocacy.

Kim, J. C., (2022, August). *Making Mental Health Matter for Asian Americans*. DuPont Asian Group. Keynote presentation for corporate employees.

Kim, J. C. (2022, May). *Asian Racialized Trauma. Why and What Now?* Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission. Keynote presentation for government officials and employees.

Kim, J. C., (2022, May). *Supporting Social Emotional Wellbeing of AAPI Students*. Cherry Hill Mental Health Task Force. Panel presentation for school district educators and parents.

Kim, J. C., (2022, April). *Reclaiming Our Korean American Voices*. Joining East and West Educational Liaisons (JEWEL). Panel presentation for Korean American School Boards Luncheon.

Kim, J.C., (2022, March). National Women's History Month Author Awareness. Panel for United Asian Voices of West Orange and NAACP.

Kim, J. C., (2022, March). *Breaking the Silence on Mental Health in the Korean American Community; Korean American Youth Mental Health; Creating a Mental Health Committee*. Mustard Seed Generation virtual program modules for "Mental Health Training for Korean American Church Leaders."

Kim, J. C., (2021, December). *Stop AAPI Hate: Know Your Civil Rights, Use Your Voice, Create Pathways for Healing*. Panel speaker for New Jersey Division of Civil Rights webinar speaking about racialized trauma. [at 1 hr mark of full recording](#)

Kim, J. C., (2021, September). *Managing Mental Illness in Our Own Families*. Interest group at The National Summit for Korean American Mental Health Professionals.

Kim, J. C., (2021, July). *Brief Intro to Asian Racialized Trauma*. Penn Racism Sequence Course VoiceThread in Racial Literacy Module.

Kim, J. C., (2021, June). *Working With Asian American Mental Health*. Clinician workshop at Assurance Behavioral Healthcare.

Kim, J.C., (2021, May). *Recognizing Asian Racialized Trauma in Mental Health Practice*. Keynote presentation for Nyack College School of Social Work and the Center for Racial

Reconciliation in mental health conference titled “Racism and Hate Crimes Against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders: From Trauma to Recovery.”

Kim, J.C., (2021, May). *Breaking the Silence of Asian Racialized Trauma in our History, Health, and Healing*. Keynote presentation for Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. (Raised awareness of racialized trauma for Asian allied health graduate students and allies)

Kim, J.C., (2021, April). *Understanding Asian Racialized Trauma*. Keynote presentation for University of Pennsylvania International Student and Scholar Services. (Raised awareness of racialized trauma specific to Asian international and Asian American students)

Kim J.C., (2020, December). *Connecting with Mental Health Careers: Pressing Issues in the Korean American Community*. Panel presentation at Mustard Seed Generation, Educate Empower Equip Webinar Series. (MSG is a faith-based non-profit serving mental health needs of the Korean American community; webinar raised community awareness of mental health issues and career paths)

ACTIVISM

Kim, J. C., (2021, Dec). *Civic testimony*. Press conference at Statehouse for Bill A6100. [NJ Monitor article](#)

Kim, J. C., (2021, Dec). *Rally for inclusion of AAPI curriculum*. Cherry Hill rally for Bill A6100. (Co-organizer and emcee, among Asw Pamela Lampitt, Mayor Susan Shin Angulo, Councilwoman Sangeeta Doshi, Aid to Governor Rajpal Bath) [6abc news feature](#) [WHYY article](#) [The Sun article](#)

Kim, J. C., (2021, May). *Unity Rally Against Racial Violence*. Bergen County Rally for the Korean American Association of New Jersey. (Speaker, among Congressman Andy Kim, addressing anti-Asian violence) [Rally speech](#)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2021 | Instructor , University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Policy & Practice
Philadelphia, PA
<i>Qualitative Research in Social Work</i> |
| 2007 | Lecturer , Hanyang University, Division of International Studies,
Seoul, South Korea
Developed and taught course titled: <i>Cross cultural contemporary psychology</i> |

SERVICE

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| 2024-present | Advisory Board Member, Citizen Advisory Cabinet
Inaugural committee for Mayor David Fleisher, Cherry Hill, NJ |
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- 2022-present **Provisional Elder**
Grace Ministry Church, Voorhees NJ
- 2022-present **Advisory Board Member, Mustard Seed Generation**
Nonprofit organization for Korean American mental health advocacy, Dallas, TX
- 2021-present **Board Member, Make Us Visible NJ**
Advocacy coalition for inclusion of AAPI studies in statewide K-12 curriculum
- 2021-present **Board Member, Asian American Alliance in South Jersey**
Advocacy coalition to represent and safeguard AAPI community interests
- 2021-present **Cultural Proficiency Committee & Mental Health Task Force**
Cherry Hill School District, Cherry Hill, NJ
- 2021-present **Summit Committee & Programming Committee, Mustard Seed Generation**
Nonprofit organization for Korean American mental health advocacy, Dallas, TX
- 2020-present **Chair, Mental Health Committee**
Grace Ministry Church, Voorhees, NJ
- 2020-2021 **Mentor, Asian Mental Health Collective**
Mentorship Program, Virtual format
- 2018-2019 **Co-Chair, Doctoral Student Steering Committee (DSSC)**
University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Policy & Practice
- 2015-2018 **Lay Leader, Women's Community Group**
Grace Ministry Church, Cherry Hill, NJ
- 2001-2002 **Co-Chair, Asian Student Caucus**
Columbia University, School of Social Work

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2021-present **Research Assistant, CUNY Community Health and Social Medicine Department**
Provide clinical consultation, literature reviews, data coding, and manuscript preparation.

PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

- 2013-2018 **Psychotherapist, Assurance Behavioral Healthcare, Cherry Hill, NJ**
Provided psychotherapy for individuals and families in private practice setting.
- 2010-2011 **Licensed Clinical Social Worker, F.E.G.S. The Honorable Caroline K. Simon Counseling Center, Queens, NY**

- Provided psychosocial evaluations in outpatient community mental health center.
- 2009-2010 **Clinical Therapist**, *Adaptable Human Solutions*, Seoul, South Korea
Provided psychotherapy with expatriate adults and families.
- 2006-2009 **Licensed Clinical Social Worker**, *U.S. Department of Defense, United States Army, Educational Developmental Intervention Service*, Seoul, South Korea
Evaluated students for special education services.
- 2004-2005 **Social Worker**, *Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services, Youth Counseling League*, New York, NY
Coordinated Teen Dating Violence Prevention Program adolescent clinic.
- 2004 **Social Work Intern**, *Healing School Star*, Seoul, South Korea
Provided cross-cultural consultations in alternative high school program.
- 2002-2003 **Social Work Fellow**, *Yale University, School of Medicine, Child Study Center*
New Haven, CT
Developed psychosocial assessments and treatment plans for at-risk youth.
- 2001-2002 **Social Work Intern**, *New York University Medical Center, Department of Psychiatry*, New York, NY
Implemented casework on acute care adult inpatient psychiatric unit.
- 2000-2001 **Social Work Intern**, *New Alternatives For Children*, New York, NY
Case managed permanency planning for medically frail children in foster care.
- 1999-2000 **Behavioral Health Counselor**, *St. Clare's Hospital, Children's Crisis Intervention Services*, Boonton, NJ
Assisted in crisis intervention at acute care inpatient unit for children.

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

- 2022 **Certificate Program in Clinical Supervision**
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ
- 2021 **Trauma Treatment with EMDR, CBT, and Somatic Based Interventions**
Jennifer Sweeton, PESI, LLC
- 2019 **Qualitative Research Methods**
Winter Institute at Penn Center for Public Health Initiatives
- 2017 **Bowen Family Systems Theory Certificate Program**
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ

LICENSURE & CERTIFICATION

2021 Certified Clinical Trauma Professional, Evergreen Certifications #285-33206
2013 Licensed Clinical Social Worker, New Jersey #44SC05533300
2012 Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Pennsylvania #CW017419
2008 Licensed Clinical Social Worker, New York #076341
2003 Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Massachusetts #211798
2002 Certified Social Worker, New York #065411

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2023 North American Association of Christians in Social Work (NACSW)
2020 Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
2018 Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR)
2001 Asian American Psychological Association (AAPA)
2001 National Association of Social Workers (NASW)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Native English
Proficient Korean