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EDUCATION

2026 (expected) **PhD Sociology**, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Dissertation: “Foreign Experts, Local Problems: Tracing the Transnational Movement and Application of Medical Expertise in Cambodian Nongovernmental Organizations”

Committee: Timothy Hallett (co-chair), Allison Schnable (co-chair), Anna Mueller, Koji Chavez, and Jennifer Brass

Preparing Future Faculty Certificate in College Pedagogy (2023)

Qualifying Exam: Organizations (2022)

Committee: Timothy Hallett (chair), Anna Mueller, and Bernice Pescosolido

PhD Minor: Social Science Research Methods

2021 **MA Sociology**, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

MA Thesis: “Endorsement of Developmental Idealism in the United States for Marriage Behaviors”

Committee: Keera Allendorf (chair) and Dina Okamoto

2018 **BA Sociology (with Distinction) and Biology**, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Thesis: “NGO-State Relations and their Consequences in the Cambodian Health Field”

Faculty Advisor: Jennifer Bair

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Organizations

Health & Medicine

Development

Professions

Global & Transnational Sociology

Mixed Methods

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

Richardson, Derek, and Keera Allendorf. 2023. “Developmental Idealism and Beliefs about Marriage in the United States.” *Sociology of Development* 1–31. doi: [10.1525/sod.2022.0007](https://doi.org/10.1525/sod.2022.0007).

Wilks, Mary-Collier, **Derek Richardson**, and Jennifer Bair. 2021. "International NGOs in Global Aid Chains: Linking Donors, Local Partners, and the State." *Sociology of Development* 7(1):1–24. doi: [10.1525/sod.2021.7.1.1](https://doi.org/10.1525/sod.2021.7.1.1).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Noy, Shiri and **Derek Richardson**. 2024. "Chapter 15. International organizations and global health policy: actors, priorities, and recent developments" p. 248-267 in *Research Handbook on Health Care Policy*, Martin Powell, Tuba I. Agartan, Daniel Béland, eds. Edward Elgar Publishing: Cheltenham, UK.

Working Papers

Derek Richardson. 2024. *A Bourdieusian Analysis of How Citizen-led Aid Organisations Provide Health Care Transnationally*. CDRI Working Paper Series No. 148. Phnom Penh: CDRI.

Newsletter Contributions

Richardson, Derek. 2024. "Relationship Formation in a Game of Depth vs. Breadth." *Sectors: Newsletter of the American Sociological Association's Sociology of Development Section* 12(1):8–9.

Book Reviews

Richardson, Derek. 2023. "Christopher Pallas: Doctoral Student Skills: Using Your Comparative Advantage to Succeed in Grad School and Prepare for the Job Market." *Voluntas: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*. doi: [10.1007/s11266-023-00587-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11266-023-00587-7).

Research Reports

Allison Schnable, Susan Appe, and **Derek Richardson**. 2022. *Grassroots Aid Survey: Key Findings on Small International Development Organizations*. Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, Indiana University. <https://doi.org/10.7912/96vr-w358>

UNDER REVIEW

Baggetta, Matthew, Brad R. Fulton, Renzo de la Riva Agüero, and **Derek Richardson**. "The Diversity Layer: Civil Society Organizations-of-Organizations." R&R from *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly*. Manuscript available upon request.

IN-PROGRESS

Richardson, Derek. "“I had no education. I had no experience. I had nothing.”: Understanding the Agency of Non-Expert, Citizen-led NGOs" Data analysis in progress. Anticipated completion: 2026

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

External

- 2024 Center for Khmer Studies U.S. Scholar Research Fellowship, \$10,350
- 2023 Fulbright U.S. Student Program Fellowship, \$23,050
- 2023 National Security Education Program (NSEP) David L. Boren Fellowship, \$17,850
(*declined*)
- 2021 Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute Tuition Scholarship, \$2,000

Internal

- 2025 Advanced Departmental Fellowship, \$12,000
- 2025 Gerald D. Suttles Fellowship in Doctoral Ethnographic Research, \$2,000
- 2025 Irsay Graduate Fellow, The Irsay Institute, Indiana University Bloomington
- 2024 College of Arts & Sciences Dissertation Research Fellowship, \$23,000
- 2024 Grant-in-Aid of Doctoral Research Award, \$900
- 2023 Sheldon Stryker Graduate Research Grant, \$550
- 2023 Foreign Language Support Fellowship, \$400
- 2022 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, \$7,500
- 2022 Indiana University Department of Sociology Research Fellowship, \$2,700
- 2021 Indiana University Department of Sociology Research Fellowship, \$2,700
- 2019 – Indiana University Tuition Fellowship, \$12,000
- 2017 Double Hoo Award, University of Virginia, \$5,330
- 2017 Nelson Scholars Program for Southeast Asian Studies, University of Virginia East Asia Center, \$1,500

PRESENTATIONS

- May 2025 Migration and Organizations Conference, “What are you saying, and what can you do? How healthcare professionals treat patients despite language barriers and ambiguous credentials”
Invited pre-conference: PhD Consortium

April 2025	Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Global and Transnational Sociology, “Global Health, Local Trust: How Foreign and Local Physicians Establish and Maintain Trust when Treating Patients in Cambodian NGOs”
April 2025	Center for Khmer Studies Public Webinar, “Managing Patients and Impressions: How Transnational Healthcare Professionals Import and Adapt Medical Expertise in Cambodian NGOs”
July 2024	International Society for Third-Sector Research International Conference, “‘I had no education. I had no experience. I had nothing.’: Understanding Non-Expert, Citizen-led NGOs through Realist and Relational Lenses” <i>Invited pre-conference: PhD Seminar</i>
November 2023	Cambodia Development Resource Institute Research Seminar, “‘I had no education. I had no experience. I had nothing.’: Understanding Non-Expert, Citizen-led NGOs through Realist and Relational Lenses”
August 2023	American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Covid, Health and Development, “Imported versus Local Medical Expertise: Challenges in Transnational Healthcare Provision among Citizen-led Aid Organizations”
May 2023	Migration and Organizations Conference, “Building a Bridge to Beneficiaries: A Bourdieusian Analysis of Amateur Aid Altruists’ Coordination Efforts with Local Implementing Partners” <i>Invited pre-conference: PhD Consortium</i>
March 2023	Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, The Growing Field of Medical Occupations & Expertise, “Global Health and the Grassroots: Negotiating Contradictions in Development and Medical Expertise”
March 2023	Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Organizations, “Global Health and the Grassroots: Negotiating Contradictions in Development and Medical Expertise”
March 2022	Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Family Roles and Identities, “Developmental Idealism and Beliefs about Marriage in the United States”
August 2021	American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, The Role of Imitation and Emulation in Development, “Using Websites to Conceptualize an Organizational Field: The Case of Grassroots and Professional INGOs”
August 2020	American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, The State, Corporations, and Spending, “International NGOs in Global Aid Chains: Linking Donors, Local Partners, and the State”
February 2020	Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Topics in Development and Globalization, “From Global Fields to Development Chains: INGOs in Cambodia”

August 2018	American Sociological Association Annual Meeting Pre-Conference, The Sociology of International Organizations, “From Global Fields to Development Chains: INGOs in Cambodia”
May 2018	University of Virginia Distinguished Majors Program Thesis Presentation, “NGO-State Relations and their Consequences in the Cambodian Health Field”
April 2018	University of Virginia Undergraduate Research Symposium, “East Asian INGOs and the Case for Regionalization in Global Civil Society”
September 2017	Nelson Scholars Program Presentation, “Cambodia and Global Civil Society Regionalization”

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

September 2023 – July 2024	Visiting Fellow at Cambodia Development Resource Institute (CDRI) Wrote policy briefs, research reports, and working papers with dissertation data
June 2020 – May 2022	Research Assistant Investigated the internal dynamics of civil society organizations Principal Investigators: Matthew Baggetta and Brad Fulton, Indiana University
May 2020 – June 2020	Sociological Research Practicum Analyzed newspaper articles on immigrant collective action events in nine U.S. metropolitan areas Principal Investigator: Dina Okamoto, Indiana University
August 2017 – May 2018	Distinguished Majors Program Thesis “NGO-State Relations and their Consequences in the Cambodian Health Field” Faculty Advisor: Jennifer Bair, University of Virginia

TEACHING

Invited Guest Lectures

Spring 2025	Capstone, GBLA 490: American University of Phnom Penh Topic: “Field Research and Interviewing”
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Instructor of Record

Spring 2023	Introduction to Sociology, SOC S100: Indiana University
Fall 2022	Introduction to Sociology, SOC S100: Indiana University

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2021 Policy Research Seminar: Civil Society in the Digital World, SPI 403: Princeton University

Spring 2020 Law and Society, SOC S326: Indiana University

Fall 2019 Introduction to Sociology, SOC S100: Indiana University

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee Member

Spring 2023 Second reader, Law & Public Policy: Indiana University O'Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs

DEPARTMENT/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

May 2022 – May 2023 Personnel Committee

May 2020 – May 2022 Public Sociology Committee

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association

Section memberships: Global and Transnational Sociology; Medical Sociology; Organizations, Occupations, and Work; Political Economy of the World-System; Sociology of Development

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Southern Sociological Society

International Society for Third-Sector Research

LANGUAGES AND LANGUAGE TRAINING

Native: English

Intermediate proficiency: Khmer

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, January 2023-October 2023

Khmer School of Language, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, October 2021-April 2022

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute (SEASSI), Madison, WI, June 2021-August 2021

Intermediate proficiency: Spanish

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA, 2018

SOFTWARE

Stata, R, NVivo, MAXQDA, Microsoft Access, Photoshop

REFERENCES

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