

Biographical Sketch

Jooyoung Kong, MSW

Ph.D. Student

Boston College

Education

MSW, Washington University in St. Louis
MSW, Ewha Woman's University
BA, Ewha Woman's University

Career Goals

Jooyoung's career goal is to become a full-time professor conducting and teaching research for social work. She is mainly interested in examining how earlier life events of a traumatic nature are related to outcomes in old age based on the life course perspective.

Research Interests

Gerontology; Later-life intergenerational relationships; Long-term care policies and issues

Publishable Paper Title

Caring for my abuser: Childhood maltreatment and caregiver depression (Successfully defended 2013)

Dissertation Topic

Childhood maltreatment and later-life intergenerational solidarity: Examining the effects of parental childhood maltreatment on later-life relations with formerly abusive parents (Anticipated defense 2016)

Organization Affiliations

Gerontological Society of America; Society for Social Work and Research; AcademyHealth

Awards and Fellowships

Boston College Doctoral Fellowship; Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization Interdisciplinary Paper Award (The effect of childhood abuse on intergenerational support to aging parents), Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (2014); Dissertation Support Grant (\$7,500), Boston College Institute on Aging (2014)

Teaching Experience

Program Evaluation (Instructor, Spring 2015); Policy for an Aging Society: Issues and Options (Teaching assistant, Spring 2014); Program Evaluation (Teaching assistant, Spring 2014); Introduction to Structural Equation Modeling Using LISREL (Teaching assistant, Summer 2013); Survey of Research Methods in Social and Behavioral Science (Teaching assistant, Fall 2013); Research Methods (Teaching assistant, Fall 2013)

Research Experience

Research Assistant. (2014-2015) (Prof. Scott Easton): Conducting data analysis and supporting literature search and review (funded by National Institutes of Health R03).

Research Assistant. (2012-2014) (Prof. Kevin Mahoney): Conducting qualitative participant action research to evaluate the long-term outcomes and experiences of being enrolled in the Independent Choices Program in Arkansas, National Resource Center for Participant-Directed Services, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.

Research Assistant. (2012-2015) (Prof. Scott Easton): Analyzing quantitative data sets (e.g., the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study) and developing manuscripts, Supported grant writing (National Institutes of Health R03).

Publications

Lubben, J., Gironde, M., Sabbath, E. Kong, J., & Johnson, C. (2015). Social isolation presents a grand challenge for social work (Grand Challenges for Social Work Initiative Working Paper No. 7). Cleveland, OH: American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare

Cooney, C., Easton, S. D., Kong, J., & Bockenstedt, J. (in press). Sources of psychological pain and suicidal thoughts among homeless adults. *Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior*.

Kong, J., & Moorman, S. (in press). Caring for my abuser: Childhood maltreatment and caregiver depression. *Gerontologist*. Coverage in media *The New York Times* (The New Old Age blog), A Risk in Caring for Abusive Parents:

<http://newoldage.blogs.nytimes.com/?module=BlogMain&action=Click®ion=Header&pgtype=Blogs&version=>

Blog Post&contentCollection=Health

Eyler, A., Nguyen, L., Kong, J., Yan, Y., & Brownson, R. (2012). Patterns and predictors of enactment of state childhood obesity legislation in the United States: 2006-2009. *American Journal of Public Health, 102*(12), 2294-2302.

Jones E., Eyler, A., Nguyen, L., Kong, J., Brownson, R., & Bailey, J. (2012). It's all in the lens: Differences in views on obesity prevention between advocates and policy makers. *Childhood Obesity, 8*(3), 243-250.

Nguyen, L., Eyler, A., Kong, J., & Brownson, R. (2011). State legislation savvy: A primer and tools for online legislative research in the United States. *Preventing Chronic Disease, 2012*(9), 100298.

Hong, B., Shin, Y. & Kong, J. (2009). Spousal influence on couples' retirement decision. *Social Welfare Policy, 36*(2), 503-522. (Paper in Korean)

Accomplishments

Provided content and editorial assistance for developing online learning modules called "BC Talks Aging" and its website: www.bc.edu/ia

Selected Presentations

Kong, J. (2014). Childhood abuse and provision of support to aging parents: Evidence from structural equation models. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington D.C. (November);

Kong, J. (2014). Effect of childhood abuse on trajectories of intergenerational solidarity in later life. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington D.C. (November);

Mahoney, K., Battista, C., Harry, M., Kong, J., McDonald, L., McLuckie, A. (2014). The long-term effects of participant direction of supports and services for people with disabilities. Poster presented at the annual research meeting of the AcademyHealth, San Diego, CA (June);

Kong, J., & Tran, T. (2014). Cultural comparability in measuring religiosity between older Americans and older Koreans. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Antonio, TX (January);

Kong, J., & Moorman, S. M. (2014). The link between childhood maltreatment and caregiver stress. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Antonio, TX (January);

Kong, J., & Moorman, S. M. (2013). Caring for my abuser: Childhood maltreatment and caregiver depression. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA (November);

Kong, J., & Shen, C. (2012). Growing economic inequality in later life for Korean older adults. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA (November);

Eyler A., Nguyen, L., Kong, J., & Brownson, R. (2011). Weighing the impact of governors' public support for state childhood obesity prevention legislation. Poster presented at the annual meeting of Active Living Research Annual Conference, San Diego, CA (February).