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EDUCATION

2008 Ph.D.	University of Kansas Social Work
1999	Hunter College, City University of New York, NY Master of Social Work (MSW), Social Work
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TEACHING/ LIBRARY SERVICE/COUNSELING POSITIONS

2021 – Present Professor, School of Social Work, San Diego State University, CA
2014 – 2021 Associate Professor, School of Social Work, San Diego State University, CA
Courses Taught
Grief & Loss: Social Work Theories and Practice (SW590)
Social Work Foundation Practice Skills (SW 670)
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Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families & Groups (SW631)
2008-2014 Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, San Diego State University, CA

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH * denotes student author

A. Refereed Journal Articles

1. **Ko, E.**, Valadez Galindo, A., Avila, M., Wells, K., Van Bebber, A., Gamino, M., Martinez, J. & Cartmell, A. (2025). Cancer-related financial toxicity among Latinas with breast cancer in a rural area of the United States: A qualitative study. *BMC Women's Health*, 25, 182.
2. Chen, Z., Ni, P., Wu, B., **Ko, E.**, Jing, L., Lin, H., & Ma, P. (2025). Fear of cancer recurrence among adolescents and young adults cancer survivors: A mixed-methods systematic Review. *Journal of Cancer Survivorship*.

3. **Ko**, E. Shamsalizadeh, N., Lee, J., & Ni, P. (2024). Ethical Dilemmas Among Oncology Nurses in China: A Cross-Sectional Study. *Asian/Pacific Island Nursing Journal*
4. Doyle*, C., **Ko**, E., Lemus, H., Hsu, F-C., Pierce, J., & Wu, T. (2023). Living alone, physical health, and mortality in breast cancer survivors: A prospective observational cohort study. *Healthcare*, 11(17), 2379.
5. **Ko**, E., Nguen-Grozavu, F., & Valadez*, A. (2023). "I had to do it all alone": Hispanic perspectives on navigating breast cancer treatment. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 20(5),4163.
6. Nguyen-Grozavu, F., **Ko**, E., & Valadez*, A. (2023). Gauging the Changing Landscape: Telehealth Perceptions among Hispanic Females with Breast Cancer. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 20(3), 1713.
7. **Ko**, E., Woodruff, S. I., Zúñiga, M.L., Cardeas, V., Lizarraga, M., & Urais, A. (2023) Culturally-tailored Survivorship Care Planning for Rural Latina Breast Cancer Patients: A Pilot Study. *Journal of Psychosocial Oncology*, 41(4), 475-486.
8. Tsou, M., Xu, J., Lin, C., Daniels, M., Embury, J., Park, J., **Ko**, E., & Gibbons, J. (2023). Analyzing Spatial-Temporal Impacts of Neighborhood Socioeconomic Status Variables on COVID-19 Outbreaks as Potential Social Determinants of Health. *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*, 113 (4), 891-912.
9. **Ko**, Lowie, & Ni (2023). Confidence in carrying out palliative care among intensive care nurses. *Nursing in Critical Care*, 28(1), 13-20. doi: 10.1111/nicc.12735
10. Lin, H., **Ko**., E., Wu, B., Ni, P. (2022). Hospice care preferences and its associated factors among community-dwelling residents in China. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*.
11. **Ko**, E. Keeney, A., Higgins, D., Gonzalez*, N., & Palomino, H. (2022). Rural Hispanic/Latino Cancer Patients' Perspectives on Facilitators, Barriers, and Suggestions for Advance Care Planning: A Qualitative Study. *Palliative & Supportive Care*, 20(4), 535-541.
12. **Ko**, E., Cardenas, V., Zúñiga, M.L., Woodruff, S. I., Rodriguez, V., & Palomino, H. (2021). Challenges for Latina Breast Cancer Patient Survivorship Care in a Rural US-Mexico Border Region. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 18(13), 7024.
13. Abdel-Samad, M., Xalzo, J. P.,Sleet, D. (2021). Conceptualizing an interdisciplinary collective impact approach to examine and intervene in the Chronic Cycle of Homelessness. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 18(4). <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph18042020>
14. **Ko**, E., Zúñiga, M.L., Woodruff, S. I., Serra-Martinez, Y., & Cardenas, V. (2020). Development of a Survivorship Care Plan (SCP) Program for Rural Latina Breast Cancer Patients: *Proyecto Mariposa*—Application of Intervention Mapping.

International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, 17(16), 5784.
doi:10.3390/ijerph17165784

15. **Ko**, E., Fuentes, D., Singh-Carlson, S., & Nedjat-Haiem, F. (2020). Challenges and facilitators of hospice decision-making: a retrospective review of family caregivers of home hospice patients in a rural US-Mexico border region- a qualitative study. *BMJ Open*, 10, doi:10.1136/bmjopen-2019-035634.
16. Nejat-Haiem, F. R., Cadet, T. J., Ferral, A. J., **Ko**, E., Thompson, B., & Mishra, S. I. (2020). Moving closer to death: understanding psychosocial distress among older veterans with advanced cancers. *Supportive Care in Cancer*.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00520-020-05452-7>
17. Ni,P., **Ko**. E. Zhou, W., & Liao, J. & Mao, J. (2020). Preferences for feeding tube use and their determinants among cognitively intact nursing home residents in Wuhan, China: a cross-sectional study. *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*, 31(1), 13-21.
18. **Ko**., E., Beloshapko*, A., Zúñiga, M., Palomino., H., Peacher, D., & Watson, M. (2020). Binational cancer patient experiences and cancer coping in a rural US-Mexico Border Region. *Journal of Psychosocial Oncology*, 38(2), 188-194. doi: 10.1080/07347332.2019.1666954
19. **Ko**, E. & Fuentes, D. (2020). End-of-Life Communication between Providers and Family Caregivers of Home Hospice Patients in a Rural US-Mexico Border Community: Caregivers' Retrospective Perspective. *American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Medicine*, 37(5), 329-335. doi: 10.1177/1049909119885099.
20. Carlson, L., Smith, G. Mariscal, S., Rapp, C. A., Holter, M. C., **Ko**, E., & Fukui, S. (2018). The comparative effectiveness of a model of job development versus treatment as usual. *Best Practices in Mental Health*, 14(2), 21-31.
21. Shen, J., **Ko**, E., Kim, P., Kim, S. J., Lee, Y., Lee, J., & Yoo, J. (2018). Life-sustaining procedures, palliative consultation, and do not resuscitate status in dying patients with COPD in US hospitals: 2010-2014. *Journal of Palliative Care*, 33(3), 159-166.
22. Kim, S., Shen, J., **Ko**, E., Kim, P., Lee, Y., Lee, J., Liu, X., Ukken, J., Kioka, M., & Yoo, J. (2018). Life-sustaining procedures, palliative care, and cost trends in dying COPD patients in US. Hospitals: 2005-2014. *Korean Journal of Hospice & Palliative Care*, 21(1), 23-32.
23. **Ko**, E., Zúñiga,M, Peacher, D., Palomino, H., & Watson*, M. (2018). Efficacy of Cancer Care Communication between Clinicians and Latino Patients in a Rural U.S.-Mexico Border Region: A Qualitative Study of Barriers and Facilitators to Better Communication. *Journal of Cancer Education*, 33(1), 116-127.
24. **Ko**. E., Zúñiga,M, Palomino, H., Peacher, D., & Watson*, M (2018). Qualitative Study of Latino Cancer Patient Perspectives on Care Access and Continuity in a Rural, U.S.-Mexico Border Region. *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health*, 20(3), 674-679.

25. **Ko, E., Lee, J., Ramirez, C, Lopez*, D., & Martinez*, S.** (2018). Patient–family EoL communication and its predictors: Reports from caregivers of Latino patients in the rural U.S.–Mexico border region. *Palliative & Supportive Care*, 16(5), 520-27.
26. Palomino, H., Peacher, D., **Ko, E., Woodruff, S. I., & Watson*, M.** (2017). Barriers and Challenges of Cancer Patients and Their Experience with Patient Navigators in the Rural US/Mexico Border Region. *Journal of Cancer Education*, 32(1), 112-118.
27. Liu, X., Dawod, Y., Wonnapharhown, A., Shafi, A., Doo, L., Yoo, J., **Ko., E., & Choi, Y.** (2017). Effects of hospital palliative care on health length of stay and in-hospital mortality across intensive and non-intensive care units: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *Palliative & Supportive Care*, 15(6)741-752.
28. **Ko. E., Lee, J., Ramirez, C., Martinez*, S., Lopez*, D.** (2017). Willingness to Use Hospice Care among Caregivers of Latino Patients in the U.S.-Mexico Border Region. *Palliative & Supportive Care*, 15(3), 279-287.
29. **Ko, E., Hohman, M., Lee, J., Ngo*, A-N., & Woodruff, S.** (2016). Feasibility and Acceptability of a Brief Motivational Stage-Tailored Intervention to Advance Care Planning: A Pilot Study. *American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Medicine*, 33(9),834-842.
30. **Ko, E., Lee, J., & Hong, Y.** (2016). Willingness to Complete Advance Directives among Low-Income Older Adults Living in the U.S.A. *Health & Social Care in the Community*, 24(6), 708-716.
31. Gao, X., Sun, F., **Ko, E., Kwak, J., & Shen, H-W.** (2015). "Knowledge of Advance Directive and Perceptions of End-of-Life Care in Chinese American Elders: The Role of Acculturation. *Palliative & Supportive Care*, 13(6), 1677-84.
32. **Ko, E., Kwak, J., & Nelson-Becker, H.** (2015). What Constitutes a Good and Bad Death?: Perspectives of Homeless Older Adults. *Death Studies*, 39 (7), 422-432.
33. **Ko, E. & Lee, J.** (2014). End-of-life treatment preference among Low-Income Older Adults: A Race/Ethnicity Comparison Study. *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, 25(3), 1021-1033.
34. **Ko, E. & Lee, J.** (2014). Completion of Advance Directives among Low-Income Older Adults: Does Race/Ethnicity Matter? *American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Medicine*, 31(3), 247-253.
35. **Ko, E., Nelson-Becker, H., Shin, M., & Park, Y.** (2014). Preferences and expectations for delivering bad news among Korean Older Adults. *Journal of Social Service Research*, 40(4), 402-414.
36. Kwak, J., **Ko, E., & Kramer, B.** (2014) "Facilitating Advance Care Planning with Ethnically Diverse Groups of Frail, Low-Income Elders: Perspectives of Care Managers on Challenges and Recommendations". *Health & Social Care in the Community*, 22(2), 169-177.

37. **Ko**, E. & Nelson-Becker, H. (2014). Does End-of-Life Decision Making Matter?: Perspectives of Older Homeless Adults. *American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Medicine*, 31(2), 183-188.
38. Peacher, D., Palomino, H., **Ko**, E., & Woodruff, S. (2013). Cancer resource center of the desert patient navigator program: removing financial barriers to access to cancer care for rural Latinos. *Springer Plus*, 2, 15
39. **Ko**, E. Higgins, D., & Roh, S.(2013). Do Older Korean Immigrants Engage in End-of-Life Communication? *Educational Gerontology*, 39(8), 613-622.
40. **Ko**, E., Cho, S., Perez, R., Yeo, Y., & Palomino, H. (2013). Good and Bad Death: Perspectives of Mexican American Older Adults. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*, 56(1), 6-25.
41. **Ko**, E., Nelson-Becker, H., Park, Y., & Shin, M. (2013). End-of-Life Decision Making in Older Korean Adults: Concerns, Preferences, and Expectations. *Educational Gerontology*, 39, 71-81.
42. **Ko**, E. & Berkman, C. (2012). Advance Directives among Korean American Older Adults: Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behavior. *Journal of Gerontological Social Work*, 55(6), 484-502.
43. **Ko**, E., Cho, S., & Bonila*, M. (2012). Attitudes toward Life-Sustaining Treatments: The Role of Race/Ethnicity. *Geriatric Nursing*, 33(5), 341-349.
44. Maschi, T., Kwak, J., **Ko**, E., & Morrissey, M. B. (2012). Forget Me Not: Dementia in Prison. *The Gerontologist*, 52(4), 441-451.
45. **Ko**, E., & Berkman, C. (2010). Role of Children in End-of-Life Treatment Planning among Korean American Older Adults. *Journal of Social Work in End-of-Life & Palliative Care*, 6, 164-184.
46. **Ko**, E. & Lee, J (2010). Completion of Advance Directives among Korean American and Non-Hispanic White Older Adults. *Research on Aging*, 32 (5), 618-644.
47. Berkman, C., & **Ko**, E (2010). What and when Korean American older adults want to know about serious illness. *Journal of Psychosocial Oncology*, 28(3), 244-259.
48. Berkman, C., & **Ko**, E. (2009). Preferences for disclosure of information about serious illness among older Korean American immigrants in New York City. *Journal of Palliative Medicine*, 12(4), 351-357.
49. **Ko**, E., & Lee, J. (2009). End-of-life communication: Ethnic Differences between Korean American and Non-Hispanic White Older Adults. *Journal of Aging & Health*, 21(7), 967-984.
50. Gonzalez, M. J., Lopez, J. J., & **Ko**, E. (2005). The Mariel and Balsero Cuban immigrant experience: Family reunification issues and treatment recommendations. *Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies*, 3(1/2), 141-153.

Manuscripts in Under Review

1. Lin, H., **Ko, E.**, Wu, B., Pei, Y., Ni, P., & Zhang, T. The Effects of Advance Care Planning Interventions in the Older Population: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis *Geriatrics & Gerontology International* (Revised and Resubmitted).

B. Refereed Book Chapters

1. Brownell, P., & **Ko, E.** (2005). Multicultural social work practice with immigrant victims of domestic violence. In Congress, E. & Gonzalez, M. J.(eds.). *Multicultural perspectives in working with families* (2nd ed.). NY: Springer Press
2. Gonzalez, M. J., Lopez, J. J., & **Ko, E.** (2005). The Mariel and Balsero Cuban immigrant experience: Family reunification issues and treatment recommendations. In Gonzalez, M. J. & Gonzalez-Ramos, G. (eds.). *Clinical Practice with New Hispanic Immigrants: Service Delivery Models, Practice Approaches and Research Initiatives*. NY: Haworth Press.

C. Refereed Proceedings

1. **Ko, E.**, Avila, M., & Nguyen, F. (2026, March 18-20). Challenges to Managing Financial Hardship and Mitigating Strategies: from the Perspectives of the Breast Cancer Survivors in a Rural Region [Poster Presentation]. American Psychosocial Oncology Society (23rd). New Orleans, LA
<https://apos-society.org/apos-2026-conference/>
2. Berkman, C., Liu, X., & **Ko, E.** (2025, April 28-29). Advance Care Planning and End-of-Life Preferences of Chinese and Korean American Older Adults. 2025 SWHPN Annual Forum, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
3. Avila, M., Gamino, M., Martinez, J., Valadez Galindo, A., Van Bebber, A., Wells, K., Cartmell, A., & **Ko, E.** (2024, May 7-10). Financial Toxicity and Its Impacts among Rural, Underserved Hispanic Women with Breast Cancer [Poster Presentation]. National Rural Health Association Annual Conference (47th), New Orleans, LA.
<https://www.ruralhealth.us/events/event-details?eventId=18>
4. **Ko, E.**, Avila, M., Martinez, J., Gamino, M. Valadez Galindo, A., Van Bebber, A., Wells, K., & Cartmell, A. (2024, May 7-10). Challenges to Navigate Financial Resources and Mitigating Strategies[poster Presentation]. National Rural Health Association Annual Conference (47th), New Orleans, LA.
<https://www.ruralhealth.us/events/event-details?eventId=18>
5. **Ko, E.**, Keeney, A., Higgins, D., Gonzalez, N., & Palomino (accepted, 2021). Facilitators, barriers, and suggestions for advance care planning: Perspectives from the rural Hispanic cancer patients in a U.S.-Mexico border region. Accepted for Poster Presentation. American Public Health Association. October 24-27, 2021.
6. **Ko, E.**, Keeney, A., Gonzalez, N., Palomino, H., Urias, A., Lizarraga, M., & Iten, L. (2020). What is important in EOL decision making?: From the perspectives of rural Latino cancer patients in US-Mexico border region. American Public Health Association, San Francisco,

CA, United States. American Public Health Association. October 24-28, 2020.
<https://apha.confex.com/apha/2020/meetingapp.cgi>

7. **Ko, E.**, Keeney, A., Palomino, H., Gonzalez, N., Lizaraga, M., Uria, A., & Iten, L. (2020). Advance care planning: Barriers and Facilitators among Rural Latino Cancer Patients. American Psychosocial Oncology Society, Portland, OR, United States.
https://apos.societyconference.com/conf/#present_mat/conf10007
8. **Ko, E.**, Cardenas, V., Woodruff, S., Zúñiga M., & Serra-Martinez, Y., & Palomino, H. (2020, March) Using Intervention Mapping to Develop a Survivorship Care Plan (SCP) Program for Rural Latina Breast Cancer Patients: Proyecto Mariposa . American Psychosocial Oncology of Society, Portland, OR, United States.
https://apos.societyconference.com/conf/#present_mat/conf10007
9. Cardenas, V., **Ko, E.**, Zuniga, M., Woodruff, S. (2019, August). Proyecto Mariposa: Plan de Atención de Sobrevivencia Para Latinas con Cáncer de Mama. Presented at Formacion en Investigacion Psicosocial Oncologa en Latinoamerica (FIPOL).
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0rFvgheqM_4
10. Cardenas, V., **Ko, E.**, Zuniga, M., Woodruff, S. (2019, February). Proyecto Mariposa: Repuestas de Grupo de Enfoque Sobre Plan de Atención de Sobrevivencia Para Latinas con Cáncer de Mama. Presented at the Instituto Nacional de Cancerologia INCan, Mexico City, Mexico.
11. **Ko, E.**, Fuentes, D., Nadjat-Haiem, F. (2019). Transition to a Hospice Care: Experiences of Caregivers of Home Hospice Patients in a Rural Community. CSU Institute for Palliative Care National Symposium, San Diego, CA.
12. Berkman, C., **Ko, E.**, Roh, S., & Kwon, S., (2014). Preferences for Communication about Serious Ill among Korean American and Korean Older Adults. Social Work Hospice and Palliative Care Network Assembly, San Diego, CA.
13. 11. Berkman, C., **Ko, E.**, Roh, S., & Kwon, S., (2014). Preferences for Communication about Serious Ill among Korean American and Korean Older Adults. Social Work Hospice and Palliative Care Network Assembly, San Diego, CA.
14. **Ko, E.** & Nelson-Becker, H. (2013). The Role of Religiosity/Spirituality in End-of-Life Care: Perspectives of Homeless Older Adults. Poster presentation at the annual meeting of Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC.
15. **Ko, E.**, Esperanza, M., Pham, T., Hall, S., Kwak, J., Mazyck, M., & Piwowarski, M. (2012). The Perspectives Toward "Good Death" Among Low-Income Older Adults. Poster presented at the annual meeting of Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC.
16. **Ko, E.**, Kwak, J., Esperanza, M., Pham, T., Hall, S., Piwowarski, M. & Mazyck, M. (2012). Perspectives and Needs about Advance Care Planning Among Low-Income Older Adults. Poster presented at the annual meeting of Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC.

17. **Ko, E.**, Berkman, C., & Roh, S. (2011). Preferences for End-of-Life Treatment among Korean American Older Adults. Poster presented at the annual meeting of Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC.
18. **Ko, E.** (2010, November). Attitudes toward Life-Sustaining Treatment among Korean American and Mexican American Older Adults. Poster presented at the annual meeting of Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA
19. Berkman, C., **Ko, E.**, & Roh, S. (2010). *Preferences about communication about serious illness among Korean American Older Adults*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the State Society on Aging, Albany, NY.
20. **Ko, E.**, & Bonilla, M. (2009, November). *End-Of-Life Communication among Korean American and Non-Hispanic White Older Adults*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
21. Min, J, & **Ko, E.** (2009, November). *Age differential effects of acculturation on mental health status among Korean American middle-aged and older adults*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Atlanta, GA.
22. **Ko, E.** (2009, January). *Completion of Advance directives with Korean American and Non Hispanic White Older Adults*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Social Work Research, New Orleans, LA
23. Baca, B. A., Chapin, R., **Ko, E.**, Hickey, A., Rachlin, R., & Zimmerman, M. (2008, January). *Vulnerable older adults and community services: what are the successful strategies to meet their needs?*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Social Work Research, Washington, D.C.
24. Berkman, C. S., & **Ko, E.** (2007, November). *What and when Korean American older adults want to know about serious illness*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
25. Berkman, C. S., & **Ko, E.** (2007, November) *Truth-telling preferences about serious illness among Korean American older adults*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
26. Hickey, A. M., Baca, B., Chapin, R., Rachlin, R., Zimmerman, M., & **Ko, E.** (2007, November). *Strategies for increasing service utilization by low income and rurally isolated older adults*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Francisco, CA.
27. **Ko, E.** (2006, February). *Korean American seniors attitudes toward advance directives*, Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Chicago, IL.
28. **Ko, E.**, & Berkman, C. S. (2006, January). *The role of children of Korean American seniors at the end of life*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Social Work Research, San Antonio, TX.

29. Berkman, C. S., & **Ko, E.** (2006, January). *Workshop on Korean American Immigrant Seniors to Increase Advance Directives Completion Rates*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society of Social Work Research, San Antonio, TX.
30. **Ko, E.**, & Berkman, C. S. (2004, October). *Korean American Seniors' Attitudes Toward Truth-Telling about Serious Illness*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the State Society on Aging, Albany, NY.
31. **Ko, E.** (2003, May). *Cultural Awareness and Social Work Practice*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Global Awareness of Society Conference, Washington, D.C.

Invited Presentations/Lectures

1. **Ko, E.** (2022). Advance care planning among Low-Income Older Adults. 1st International Conference of Group for Training Psychological Service Specialists, BK 21, South Korea, Jan. 28, 2022
2. **Ko, E.** (2020). Social Work training for palliative care and Advance Directives/Physicians Order for Life Sustaining Treatments. San Diego Coalition for Compassion Care. October 22, 2020
3. Cardenas, V., **Ko, E.**, Zuniga, M., Woodruff, S. (2019, August). Proyecto Mariposa: Plan de Atención de Sobrevivencia Para Latinas con Cáncer de Mama. Presented at Formacion en Investigacion Psicosocial Oncologica en Latinoamerica (FIPOOL).
4. Cardenas, V., **Ko, E.**, Zuniga, M., Woodruff, S. (2019, February). Proyecto Mariposa: Repuestas de Grupo de Enfoque Sobre Plan de Atención de Sobrevivencia Para Latinas con Cáncer de Mama. Presented at the Instituto Nacional de Cancerologia INCan, Mexico City, Mexico.
5. Tsou, M., **Ko, E.**, & Patel, S. (2019). Examine the accessibility of cancer facilities/treatment with Travel distances & Neighborhood status in Imperial County. Moores Cancer Center, jawsome shark tank (JST)-Multidisciplinary pilot project program. October 14, 2019.
6. **Ko, E.**, Cardenas, V., Woodruff, S., & Zuniga, M. L. (2019). Pilot Research project Proycto Mariposa: Cancer Survivorship Care Planning for Rural Latina Breast Cancer Patients. Cancer Research @ SDSU. April 26, 2019
7. **Ko, E.**, Palomino, H., & Lizaragga, M. (2019). Navigating with Rural Latino Cancer Patients and Secondary Trauma: Perspectives from Oncology Social Workers from the Cancer Resource Center of the Desert. First Binational/Bilingual Multidisciplinary Conference on Migration and Human Trafficking: Traumatic Effects on Individual Mental/Physical Health and Border Communities. San Diego, March 8, 2019
8. **Ko, E.** (2016). "*Barriers to the use of Hospice Care*". University of Nevada at Las Vegas Health Law Program, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 9, 2016.
9. **Ko, E.** (2016). "Community Health & Care", Community Nursing Program, School of Nursing, Tongji Medical College, Huazhong University of Science & Technology, Wuhan, China. March 7-11, 2016

10. **Ko, E.** (2015). "Willingness to use hospice cares among Latino caregivers of home health care agency". Accent Home Health Care, El Centro, CA. October 14, 2015.
11. **Ko, E.** (2014). "*Advance Care planning*". Sang Myung University, Seoul, Korea, June, 2014

C. Research Reports

1. Chapin, R. K., Sergeant, J. F., Chandran, D., Lloyd, J., Higgins, D., Koenig, T., Rachlin, R., **Ko, E.**, et al. (2007). *Real Choice Project: Referral System Assessment*. The University of Kansas School of Social Welfare, Office of Aging and Long Term Care
2. Chapin, R. K., Zimmerman, M., Baca, B. A., Rachlin, R., Hickey, A. M., **Ko, E.**, et al. (forthcoming). *Hard-to-Reach Kansans: Mapping, Examining Access, and Identifying Successful Strategies*. The University of Kansas School of Social Welfare, Office of Aging and Long Term Care

GRANT [FUNDED]

1. B30BB8726 California Breast Cancer Research Program (MPIs:Ko/Avila). Financial Navigation to Address Financial Toxicity among Latinas with Breast Cancer. \$ 600,000 (Direct cost) (8/01/2024-7/31/2027)
2. B30BB8726-S California Breast Cancer Research Program Diversity Supplement Award (PI: Ko, Mentee: Angerla Gutierrez). \$10,000 (8/01/2025-5/31/2026)
3. B30BB8726-S California Breast Cancer Research Program Diversity Supplement Award (PI: Ko, Mentee: Samantha Llanas-Medina). \$10,000 (8/01/2024-5/31/2025)
4. B29LN7356 California Breast Cancer Research Program (MPIs: Ko/Avila). Local-Level Needs Award. Leveraging Community Assets to Reduce Financial Toxicity among Hispanic Breast Cancer Survivors. \$15,000 (Direct cost) (8/01/2023-07/31/2024)
5. B28AB5510 California Breast Cancer Research Program (MPIs: Ko/Avila). Community Research Collaboration. B28AB5510. Financial Toxicity among Underserved Hispanic Breast Cancer Survivors. \$150,000 (Direct cost) (8/1/2022-1/30/2024).
6. B28AB5510 California Breast Cancer Research Program, Diversity Supplemental Award (PI: Ko; Mentee: Andrea Van Bebber). Financial Toxicity among Underserved Hispanic Breast Cancer Survivors. \$10,000 (9/1/2022-5/30/2023).
7. U54CA132384 ,2/2 SDSU/UCSD Cancer Center Comprehensive Partnership (Project 2 SDSU PI: Ko). National Cancer Institute (NIH-NCI) PI: Madanet & Co-PI: Cripps. Pilot Project "Proyecto Mariposa: Cancer Survivorship Care Planning for Rural Latina Breast Cancer Patients". \$ 265,905 (Direct cost) (9/1/2018-8/30/2021).
8. U54 MD012397-02 Health Link Pilot Project Award, SDSU Center for Transdisciplinary Health Disparities Research (MPI: Ayala/Wells, Project PI: Urada, L.). Pilot project "Developing a measure for individual, intergenerational, and historical community trauma in the East African community." \$50,000 Role: Co-I

9. #56286A. John A. Hartford Foundation Social Work Scholar Program (PI: Ko). Advance Care Planning among Low-Income Older Adults, \$100,000 (09/1/10-08/31/12)
10. San Diego State University (PI:Ko)., Collaboration for Healthy Aging and Workforce Development (CHAWD “Advance Care Planning among Low-Income Older Adults at Risk”, (2011), \$2,150.
11. Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation . “Cross-cultural and cross-generational end-of-life treatment and communication preferences: Preferences and behaviors of Hispanic and Korean American older adults and their adult children (2009), \$10,000
12. San Diego State University, UGP PI (Ko). . “A pilot study of Korean American and Hispanic older adults’ end-of-life decision making” (2008), \$9,796.
13. Beautiful Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant (PI: Ko), “Advance care planning with Korean American and Non-Hispanic White older adults” (2007), \$3,000
14. Fordham University Faculty Grant, Fordham University (PI: Berkman, C. S.) Topic: Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behaviors about Advance Directives among Korean American Older Adults (2003), \$1,000, Role: Co-PI

Training Grant

1. San Diego State University, SURP (PI:Ko) . “Cancer Care Access and Utilization among American Indian/Alaskan Natives (AI/AN) Cancer Patients: Effects of COVID- 19”, \$3,000 (6/7/20 -8/14/20)
2. San Diego State University, SURP (PI:Ko) . “Does Planning End-of-life Care Matter?: From the Latino Cancer Patients’ Perspective (5/22/18-8/22/19), \$3,000.
3. San Diego State University, SURP (PI: Ko). “Barriers and Challenges to Home-Based Hospice Care: From the Caregivers’ Perspective (5/20/17-8/22/17), \$3,000.

ADVISING/MENTOR-RELATED ACTIVITIES

Thesis & Publishable Paper

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| 2024- 2025 | Committee Member, School of Social Work and Public Health (Jason Smith). <u>Thesis title</u> : Characteristics of Caregiving and Support Utilization Related to Caregiver Burden |
| 2023- Current | Committee Member, Department of Psychology (Aleigha Binda)
<u>Thesis title</u> : Investigating the Relationship between Psychosocial Factors and Lung Cancer Screening |
| 2022-2023 | Committee Member, School of Public Health (Cassie Doyle) |

- Publishable paper title: Living Alone and Physical Health in Relation to Total Mortality Among Breast Cancer Survivors
- 2022-2023 Committee Member, School of Communication (Lior Hirshoren Lavie)
Thesis title: Ciphered Bodies: Tracing Continuing Bonds in Becoming/Being a Motherless Mother
- 2021-2022 Committee Member, School of Social Work (Morgan Bolin)
Publishable paper title: Childhood Trauma and Special Education: How Outdated IDEA Definitions are Failing to Serve Children with Trauma
- 2020-2021 Committee Member, School of Social Work (Alice Astarita)
Publishable paper title: The Impact of an Intergenerational Expressive Arts Intervention on Psychosocial Outcomes during the COVID-19 Pandemic
- 2019-2020 Committee Member, Public Health (Sally Windisch).
Thesis Title: Availability of In-Language Services on Mental Health Help Seeking Behaviors Within AAPI Individuals.
- 2018-2019 Committee Member, Social Work Master Student (Brooke Silveria)
Published Paper Title: Does Childhood Maltreatment Affect Older Adult Cognitive Function? A Life Course Inquiry
- 2017-2018 Committee Member, Social Work Master Student (Thomas G. Armstrong)
Published Paper Title: Examination of the Relationship Between DSM-V Diagnosis and Court-Ordered Locked Placement in a Sample of Elderly Conservatees
- 2016-2017 Chair, Social Work Master Student (Anastasia Beloshapko)
Publishable Paper title: Understanding the Experiences of Cancer Diagnosis and Coping: Perspectives of Rural Latino Cancer Patients on the USA-Mexico Border. **Finalist for CalSWEC Student Research Award.**
- 2016-2017 Committee Member, Social Work Master Student (Erica McDaniel).
Publishable Paper title: Does More qual Less: F-CBT attendance on High-Risk Offender Recidivism
- 2015-2016 Committee Member, Social Work Master Student (Lindsay Winters).
Thesis title: Trans Masculine Subjectivity: Identity Policing, Gendered Rituals, and Other Jeopardies
- 2014-2015 Committee Member, Anthropology Master Student (José Roberto Huizar).
Thesis Title: Outmigration and the Elderly: A Case Study of Empowerment by and for the Forgotten Generation in San Pablo Huixtepec, Oaxaca Mexico
- 2012-2013 Committee Member, Public Health Master Student (Kristine N. Ortwine).
Thesis Title: A Retrospective Study and Comparative Analysis of Predictive

Factors Associated with Clinical Trial Accrual Patterns: Moores Cancer Center (MCC).

- 2010-2011 Committee Member, Social Work Master Student (David Paul Viafora). Thesis title: Teaching Mindfulness to Middle School Students and Homeless Youth in School Classrooms.
- 2010-2011 Committee Member, Master Student at Linguistic Department (Ju Youn Pyoun). Thesis Title: The Syntax and Semantics of Korean Serial Verb Constructions: A Corpus-Based Analysis.

SDSU Student Research Symposium (Mentorship)

- 2025 Faculty advisor for Samantha Llanas-Medina (CBCRP Diversity Supplement Grant Mentee)., SDSU Student Research Symposium. Title: Development of the Culturally Targeted Financial Navigation Program for Underserved Latina Breast Cancer Patients.
- 2023 Faculty advisor for Andrea Van Bebber, SDSU Student Research Symposium Title: Financial Toxicity among Underserved Breast Cancer Survivors. San Diego, CA. ** Received **the Dean's Award: Imperial Valley Campus**
- 2021 Faculty advisor for Harrison Yang, SDSU Student Research Symposium Title: Travel Distance and Cancer Care among Rural Cancer Patients in the US/Mexico Border Region
- 2020 Faculty advisor for Viviann Cesena, SDSU Student Research Symposium. (IV campus). Title: Developing and Adapting Survivorship Care Plans for Rural Latina Breast Cancer Patients. San Diego, CA.
* Received **the Deans' Award: Imperial Valley Campus**
- 2020 Faculty advisor for Nayeli Gonzalez, SDSU Student Research Symposium (IV campus). Title: Impact of Advance Care Planning Educational Intervention on Advance Care Planning among Rural Latino Cancer Patients. San Diego, CA.
* Received **the Provost's Award: Imperial Valley Campus**
- 2020 Faculty advisor for Evan Acosta, SDSU Student Research Symposium (IV campus). Title: What Matters During EOL Care Planning? – From the Perspective of Rural Latino Cancer Patients. San Diego, CA.
- 2020 Faculty advisor for Johnny Moreno, SDSU Student Research Symposium (IV campus). Title: Advance Care Planning: Barriers and Facilitators among Rural Latino Cancer Patients. San Diego, CA.
* **Student is an awardee for 2019 Undergraduate Summer Student Research Project**
- 2019 Faculty advisor for Nayeli Gonzalez & Viviane Rodriguez, SDSU student Research Symposium. Title: Advance Care Planning among Rural Latino Cancer Patients and its associated factors.

**** Received the Provost's Award: Imperial Valley Campus** for presentation at SDSU Student Research Symposium, 2019

- 2018 Faculty Advisor for *Dianna Hurtado, SDSU Student Research Symposium. Title: Understanding the gaps in Hospice Care referral: From the caregivers' perspective in the USA-Mexico Border
* **Student is an awardee for 2017 Undergraduate Summer Student Research Project** . Received **Provost Award, Imperial Campus2018**
- 2017 Faculty Advisor for Anastasia Beloshapko, SDSU Student Research Symposium. Title: Understanding the Experiences of Cancer Diagnosis and Coping: Perspectives of Rural Latino Cancer Patients on the USA-Mexico Border. **** Received the Dean's Award from CHHS. Published in the peer review journal**
- 2016 Faculty Advisor for Martinez, Stephanie & Lopez, Denicka, SDSU Student Research Symposium. Title: Willingness to Use Hospice Care Among Caregivers of Rural Latino Patients. **Published in the peer review journal.**
- 2014 Faculty Advisor for Nathalie Uriarte & Mercedes Watson, SDSU Student Research Symposium. Title: Barriers and Challenges to Cancer Treatment and the Role of Patient Navigators: From the Perspectives of Rural Latino Cancer Patients. **Published in the peer review journal.**
- 2010 Faculty Advisor for Bonilla, Monica, SDSU Student Research Symposium. Title: Mexican-American Attitudes Towards Life-Sustaining Treatment. **Published in the peer review journal.**
- 2010 Faculty Mentor for Alejandra Lopez , SDSU Student Research Symposium. Title: End of Life Conversations Among Mexican-American and Korean-Americans

SERVICE FOR THE UNIVERSITY AND THE COMMUNITY

- 2024 (Fall) Co-Chair, Student Affairs Committee, School of Social Work, SDSU
- 2018- 2022 Senate Library Committee, SDSU
- 2013, 2014, 2018, 2019 Admission committee, School of Social Work, SDSU
- 2009 - 2020 Capacity building consultant, Cancer Resource Center of the Desert, El Centro, CA
- 2017- Present Search Committee, School of Social Work, SDSU
- 2016 - 2019 Graduate Advisor, School of Social Work
- 2015 - Present Personnel committee, School of Social Work
- 2014 - Present Lecture Review Committee, School of Social Work
- 2014 - Present Members of Curriculum Committee, School of Social Work, San Diego State University
- 2014 - Present Chair, Direct Practice Task Group, School of Social Work
- 2012 Judge, Student Research Symposium, San Diego State University
- 2012 San Diego Union Tribune Aging Column "Advance Directive is an Important Health Care Tool".
- 2008- 2014 Members of Student Affairs Committee and Direct Practice Task Group Committee, SDSU School of Social Work

2008- Present	Faculty member of Asian Pacific Islander Student Association, SDSU School of Social Work
2006-2007	Doctoral Program Curriculum Committee Member, elected in 2006, University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare, Lawrence, KS
2006-2008	Mentor, Ph. D. Student Mentorship Program, University of Kansas, School of Social Welfare, Lawrence, KS

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

2020	<i>European Journal of Cancer Care</i>
2020	Reviewer, <i>Nutrients</i>
2019 -	Reviewer, <i>BMJ Open</i>
2019 -	Reviewer <i>International Journal of Environment Research and Public Health</i>
2018 -	Editorial Board Member. <i>The Korean Journal of Hospice and Palliative Care</i> , Korean Society for Hospice and Palliative Care, Seoul, South Korea
2018	Reviewer, <i>Journal of Aging & Mental Health</i>
2017-	Present Reviewer, <i>American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine</i>
2016	Reviewer, <i>Journal of Pain & Symptom management</i>
2016	Reviewer, <i>Journal of Applied Gerontology</i>
2014	Reviewer, <i>International Journal of Palliative Nursing</i>
2013	Reviewer, <i>Journal of Geriatric Nursing</i>

Scientific Meeting Abstract Review

2020 – 2021	Abstract Reviewer, American Public Health Association Scientific Meeting
2018 - 2021	Abstract Reviewer, CSU Institute for Palliative Care National Symposium
2018 - 2019	Abstract Reviewer, Gerontological Society of America Scientific Meeting

Honor & awards

2022	Most Influential Professor, School of Social Work, San Diego State University (Student: Kaitlyn Rademacher)
2021	Most Influential Professor, School of Social Work, San Diego State University (Student: Rachel Graef)
2016	Outstanding Graduate Faculty, School of Social Work, San Diego State University
2011-2012	Institute on Aging & Social Work - (Training Participant) in St. Scholastica's Institute in Duluth, MN.
2009-2010	Outstanding Graduate Professor, College of Health and Human Services Council Award, San Diego State University

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE and CERTIFICATION

1999-present	Licensed Clinical Social Worker (L.C.S.W.)-# 070512-New York License
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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Psychosocial Oncology of Society

Gerontological Society of America

Society for Social Work and Research

Council on Social Work Education