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EDUCATION

May 2020 (expected)	Ph.D., Social Welfare University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Social Work
2010	A.M., Social Service Administration (M.S.W. equivalent) University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration Concentration: Policy & Administration
2005	B.A., History and Religious Studies Loyola University Chicago

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- Costanzo, M.A., & Magnuson, K. (2019). How do child care arrangements differ for young children with disabilities?: A nationally-representative description. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 99, 210-225.
- Halpern-Meekin, S., Costanzo, M., Ehrenthal, D., & Rhodes, G. (2019). Intimate partner violence screening in the prenatal period: Variation by state, insurance, and patient characteristics. *Maternal and Child Health Journal*, 1-12.
- Cancian, M., & Costanzo, M.A. (2019). Comparing income-shares and percentage-of-income child support guidelines. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 96, 451-462.
- Costanzo, M., & Engler, D.G. (2015). Case Studies from the Benefit Offset National Demonstration. *Social Security Bulletin*. 75(1).

Research in Progress

- Costanzo, M. A. After-school care arrangements for children with disabilities. In preparation.
- Costanzo, M.A., & Lin, Y. How do child care subsidy policies affect access to child care for young children with disabilities? In preparation.

Guarin, A., & Costanzo, M.A. Noncustodial fathers' contributions to children in extended-family households. In preparation.

Cancian, M., Costanzo, M., Guarin, A., Hodges, L., & Meyer, D.R. Potential Effects of a Self-Support Reserve in Wisconsin. In preparation.

Reports

Cancian, M., Costanzo, M., Guarin, A., Hodges, L., & Meyer, D.R. (2019). "Potential Effects of a Self-Support Reserve in Wisconsin." Report to Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

Costanzo, M. A. (2018). "Closures of Unenforceable Cases: A Review of Child Support Agency Practice." Report to Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

Costanzo, M. A. (2018). "States' Treatments of High-Income Payers." Report to Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

Costanzo, M. (2018). "Incarcerated Payers: A Review of Child Support Agency Practice." Report to Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

Noyes, J.L. & Costanzo, M.A. (2017). "Expanding the Provision of Child Support Services to Additional Cases." Report to Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

* Indicates post-MSW macro-practice experience

2015 – Present Project Assistant, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP). Under direction of Professors Maria Cancian and Sarah Halpern-Meekin, and IRP Associate Director Jennifer Noyes.

2016 – 2017 Project Assistant, University of Wisconsin-Madison, School of Human Ecology. Under direction of Professor Sarah Halpern-Meekin.

2012 – 2015* Social Science Research Analyst. Social Security Administration, Office of Research, Demonstration, and Employment Support.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2017 Instructor, Statistics for Social Workers
University of Wisconsin-Madison, School of Social Work

PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 (Accepted) Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Conference (APPAM). Denver, CO.
Costanzo, M.A., & Magnuson, K. "Equitable Access? Child Care for Families Raising Children with Disabilities." Accepted presentation.
- Costanzo, M.A., & Lin, Y. "How Do Child Care Subsidy Policies Affect Access to Child Care for Young Children with Disabilities?" Accepted poster presentation.
- 2019 Center for Financial Security Retirement and Disability Research Center Fall Workshop (September) & Household Finance Seminar (April). Madison, WI.
Costanzo, M.A. "Child Care for Families Raising Young Children with Disabilities: The Role of Federal Policy in Equitable Access."
- 2019 Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting. Austin, TX.
Cancian, M., Costanzo, M., Guarin, A., Hodges, L., & Meyer, D.R.
"Potential Effects of a Self-Support Reserve in Wisconsin." Poster.
- 2019 Society of Social Work Research Meeting (SSWR). San Francisco, CA
Costanzo, M. "After-School Care Arrangements for Children with Disabilities: Equitable Access?"
- 2018 Society of Social Work Research Meeting (SSWR). Washington, DC.
Costanzo, M.A., & Magnuson, K. "Child Care Arrangements for Young Children with Disabilities: A Nationally Representative Description."
- Knoke, V., & Costanzo, M.A. "Challenges in Measurement: The Prevalence of Intellectual Disabilities across the Life Course."
- 2017 Annual Public Health Association Meeting (APHA). Atlanta, GA.
Halpern-Meekin, S., Costanzo, M., Erenthal, D., & Rhodes, G. "Prenatal Care and Intimate Partner Violence Screening: Individual and State Correlates."
- Carpenter, E., Walsh, T., Costanzo, M., & Howard, L. "Identifying the Support Needs of Expectant Mothers at Ultrasound: A Public Health Social Work Intervention Opportunity." Poster.
- 2017 Society of Social Work Research Meeting (SSWR). New Orleans, LA.
Costanzo, M., Waring, M., & Slack, K. "Poor People's Vote: Do Welfare Sanctions Impact Civic Participation?" Poster.

- 2016 Wisconsin Council on Social Work Education (WCSWE) Spring Conference. Wisconsin Dells, WI.
Carpenter, E., Costanzo, M., & Waring, M. “Current Issues in Policies and Benefits Affecting Vulnerable Women.”
- 2015 Social Security Administration’s National Disability Forum. Washington, DC.
“Transitioning SSI Childhood Beneficiaries to Successful Adulthood.” Panel Discussion.
- 2015 US Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs Project Directors’ Annual Conference. Washington, DC.
Weidenthal, C., & Costanzo, M. “Interagency Collaboration Transition and College and Career Readiness.”

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2010 – 2012* Presidential Management Fellow (Positions included: Social Science Research Analyst, Budget Analyst, and Social Insurance Specialist), Social Security Administration, Washington, DC (*post-MSW*)
- 2007 – 2010 Case Manager, Housing Opportunities for Women, Chicago, IL
- 2008 – 2010 Policy Intern, Illinois Voices for Children, Chicago, IL
- 2006 – 2009 Human Resource Assistant, St. Vincent de Paul Center, Chicago, IL

EXTERNAL FUNDING, HONORS, AWARDS

- 2018-2019 Social Security Administration, Retirement and Disability Research Center Grant (with Katherine Magnuson) for “Child Care for Families Raising Young Children with Disabilities: The Role of Federal Policy in Equitable Access.”
- 2019 Irving Piliavin Award.
School of Social Work. University of Wisconsin- Madison.
- 2016 – present Graduate Research Fellowship. Institute for Research on Poverty.
University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- 2015 Associate Commissioner’s Award. Social Security Administration.

2012 Associate Commissioner's Award. Social Security Administration.

2010-2012 Presidential Management Fellow.

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY & PROFESSION

Ad Hoc Reviewer, American Journal of Public Health
Curriculum Committee, University of Wisconsin-Madison, School of Social Work
PhD Program Committee, University of Wisconsin-Madison, School of Social Work
Building Committee, University of Wisconsin-Madison, School of Social Work

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Center for Financial Security, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Society for Social Work and Research
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management