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EDUCATION

Ph.D.: Brown University, 1999

Department of Sociology

Dissertation: "Mending fractured selves: Biographical disruption among women with HIV infection."

M.A.: Brown University, 1993

Department of Sociology

Thesis: "Symptom response among older adults: The practice and meaning of self-care."

B.A.: Rhode Island College, 1990

Department of Sociology

Academic honors: Alpha Kappa Delta

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Rhode Island College (2003-present)

Courses taught:

Society & Social Behavior; The Family; Aging & Society; Unequal Sisters (gender); Classical Sociological Theory; Sociology of Health & Illness; Victimology.

Introducing new course: Sociology of the Body, Spring 2010.

Adjunct Instructor, Rhode Island College (Fall 1995- Spring 1997)

Courses taught: The Family, Contemporary Sociological Theory

Teaching assistant, Brown University (1995-1998)

RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2001 – 2003 Investigator, Department of Community Health, Center for Gerontology and Health Care Research, Brown University, Providence, RI 02912

Qualitative analysis. *National Indicators of End-of-Life Care*.
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Brown University, September 2001-May 2002.
Joan Teno, M.D., M.S

Research and analysis. *When Your Health Plan Fails: The Impact of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Closing on Rhode Island Patients and Providers*. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Brown University, December 2001-June 2002.
Susan Allen, Ph.D.

Qualitative Analysis. *Springfield Study of Populations with Chronic Disabilities*.
Brown University, September 1996- May 1997.
Susan Allen, Ph.D.

Qualitative Research and Analysis. *The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Springfield Study of Populations with Chronic Disabilities*. Brown University, June- August 1993.
Susan Allen, Ph.D.

Qualitative Research and Analysis. *Self-Care among Older Adults*.
Brown University, May 1992 - May 1993.
Ann Dill, Ph.D.

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

“Treatment and Surveillance Decisions among Older Women with Breast Cancer.”
Principal Investigator: Desirée Ciambone.
Agency: National Institute on Aging (R03 AG020772-01).
Period: April 1, 2002- March 31, 2003.

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Postdoctoral Fellowship, September 1999-April 2002. Center for Gerontology and Health Care Research, Brown University.

Manning Fellowship, September 1998-January 1999.
Brown University Graduate School funding awarded for dissertation research.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Voon Chin Phua, Ciambone, D & Obed Vazquez 2009. "Advertising Health Status in Male Sex Workers' Online Ads" *Journal of Men's Studies*, 17.

Sassler, S., Ciambone, D, & Benway, G. 2008. Are they Really Mama's Boys / Daddy's Girls? The Negotiation of Adulthood upon Returning to the Parental Home. *Sociological Forum* 23:.

Ciambone, D. et al. 2006. Adherence among women with HIV Infection in Puerto Rico: The potential use of modified directly observed therapy (MDOT) among pregnant and post-partum women. *Women & Health* 44: 61-77.

Ciambone, D. 2006. Treatment decision-making among older women with breast cancer. *Journal of Women & Aging* 18: 31-47.

Hann, D., Allen, S., Ciambone, D., & Shah, A. 2006. Use of complementary therapies during chemotherapy: Influence of patients' satisfaction with treatment decision-making and the treating oncologist. *Integrative Cancer Therapies* 5:224-231.

Allen, S. M. & Ciambone, D. 2003. Community care for people with disability: Blurring boundaries between formal and informal caregivers. *Qualitative Health Research* 13: 207-226.

Ciambone, D. 2002. Informal networks among women with HIV/AIDS: Present support and future prospects. *Qualitative Health Research* 12: 876-896.

Allen, S. M., Shah, A.C., Nezu, A.M, Nezu, C.M., Ciambone, D., Hogan, J. & Mor, V. 2002. A problem-solving approach to stress reduction among younger women with breast cancer: A randomized controlled trial. *Cancer* 94: 3089-3100.

Ciambone, D. 2001. Illness and other assaults on self: The relative impact of HIV/AIDS on women's lives. *Sociology of Health & Illness* 23: 517-540.

Allen, S. M., Ciambone, D. & Welch, L. C. 2000. Stage of life course and social support as a mediator of depressive mood among persons with disability. *Journal of Aging and Health* 12:318-341.

Allen, S. M., Goldscheider, F. & Ciambone, D. 1999. Gender roles, marital intimacy, and selection of spouse as primary caregiver. *The Gerontologist* 39:150-158.

Brown, P., Ciambone, D. & Hunter, L. M. 1997. Does 'green' mask grey? Environmental equity issues at the metropolitan level. *International Journal of Contemporary Sociology* 34:141-158.

Dill, A., Brown, P. Ciambone, D. & Rakowski, W. 1995. The meaning and practice of self-care by older adults. *Research on Aging* 7:8-41.

Books

Ciambrone, D & Phua, VC. 2008. Experiencing Aging: A Social Gerontology Reader
Forthcoming: Linus Publisher, NY.

Ciambrone, D. 2003. *Women's Experiences with HIV/AIDS: Mending Fractured Selves*.
Binghamton, NY: Haworth Press.

Book Chapters

Ciambrone, D. 2008. Ethical concerns and researcher responsibilities in studying women with HIV/AIDS. In Adler, E.M and Clark, R. (eds.) *How it's Done: An Invitation to Social Research*. Wadsworth.

Ciambrone, D. & Allen, S M. 2002. Husbands caring for wives with cancer. In *Men as Caregivers: Theory, Research and Service Implications*. Kramer, B. and Thompson, E. H. (eds.) New York, Springer Publishing.

Ciambrone, D. 2003. Anonymity. In Lewis-Beck, M., Bryman, A. & Futing Liao, T. (eds.) *Encyclopedia of Social Science Research Methods*. Sage Publications.

Ciambrone, D. 2003. Ethnographic tales. In Lewis-Beck, M., Bryman, A. & Futing Liao, T. (eds.) *Encyclopedia of Social Science Research Methods*. Sage Publications.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

"The Rise of HIV/AIDS Among The Elderly: Evaluating Risks and International Policy Responses," with VoonChin Phua and James McNally. Paper presented at the XIXth IAGG Congress, Paris July 2009.

Ciambrone, D., Filinson, R. , Montvilo, R. 2005. Writing students want to do: Lessons from gerontology. Presented at Rhode Island College 9th Annual Faculty Development Workshop. Writing to Engage. Providence, RI.

"End of Life Care in Nursing Homes: Experiences of Decedents and Their Families." T. Wetle, J. Teno, R. Shield, L. Welch, S. Miller, D. Ciambrone. Presented at the 2003 annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA.

"The closure of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of New England: Impact on former patients living in Rhode Island." Desirée Ciambrone, Susan Allen, Linda Cote-Laliberte, and Dianne Ritchie. Presented at the 2001 NRSA Trainees Research Conference, Atlanta, GA.

"The impact of the closure of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of New England on Rhode Island patients and providers: Designing a policy study." Desirée Ciambrone, Dianne Ritchie, Linda Cote-Laliberte, and Susan Allen. Presented at the 2001 Brown University Public Health Program Research Day.

“Husbands caring for their wives with cancer.” Desirée Ciambone and Susan Allen. Presented at the 2000 Annual Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington, DC.

“Satisfaction with the breast cancer treatment decision making process and women’s use of alternative therapy.” Susan Allen, Desirée Ciambone, and Ann Shah. Presented at the 2000 Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, Boston, MA.

“Stage of life course and social support as a mediator of depressive mood among persons with disability.” Susan Allen, Desirée Ciambone and Lisa Welch. Presented at the 1999 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer: *Sociology of Health & Illness*

Reviewer: *Social Science & Medicine*

Reviewer: *AIDS Care*

DEPARTMENTAL & COLLEGE SERVICE

Faculty advisor for emPOWER (peer education group re: sexual violence and objectification of women).

Faculty co-advisor for AGES (Aging and Gerontological Education Society)

Departmental Advisory Committee

Alpha Kappa Delta Committee

Harold Sweet Award Committee

Acting Coordinator: Gerontology Program Spring, 2006

AFFILIATIONS

The American Sociological Association