



Seminar and Practicum in Engaged Research

Since 2009, seventy-six undergraduates have partnered with forty-three different non-profit organizations serving Houston-area and Texas communities. The students and agencies collaborated to design research projects that would benefit the agencies and the communities they serve. This research was presented at public receptions attended by the non-profit representatives, the general public, and Rice University students, staff, and faculty.

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1. **Allyssa Abacan '13 & Baylor Teen Clinic**
Sexual, Reproductive, and Urological Health Between Two Populations
2. **Sayra Alanis '15 & Baylor Teen Clinic**
The Effects of Social Media on Young Adults
3. **Cecilia Alvarez '14 & Fe y Justicia Worker Center**
A Life Writing Book: Narratives of Domestic Workers in the Houston Area
4. **Daria Anichkova, '10 & Houston Interfaith Worker Justice Center**
Work-related Rights Violations and the Low-Wage Immigrant Worker Community
5. **Kevin Armstrong '17 & The T.R.U.T.H. Project**
Performance, Art, and Community Healing: Lessons from Six Months with the T.R.U.T.H. Project
6. **Darren E. Arquero, '10 & Equality Texas**
Safe Schools Initiative and LGBT Students in the Houston Independent School District
7. **Alex Barksdale, '11 & Texas Gay/Straight Alliance Network**
Safe Spaces: Staff and LGBTQ Youth Experiences
8. **Julia Barrow '13 & American Civil Liberties Union of Texas**
An Exploration of Sex Education Policies in Houston Public High Schools
9. **Kori Bertun '13 & League of Women Voters – Houston**
Volunteer Retention at the League of Women Voters - Houston
10. **Theresa Boyer '11 & Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast**
Protesters at Planned Parenthood
11. **Philomena Bradford '13 & Voices Breaking Boundaries**
Cross, Sustain, and Incite: Bodies in Motion

12. **Ana Builes '14 & *Tahirih Justice Center***
Establishing a System of Referrals for the Houston Pro-Bono Legal Group
13. **Leah Cabrera-Marquez '15 & *HATCH***
Examining How Community Organizations Affect Student Achievement
14. **Micaela Elizabeth Canales '16 & *Good Neighbor Healthcare Center***
Prenatal Care Access at Good Neighbor Healthcare Center
15. **Catherine Chantre '15 & *AIDS Foundation Houston***
Do Housing-Assistance Programs Effectively Support PLWHA?
16. **Quincy Christian '14 & *YMCA International***
The Cultural and Institutional Barriers to the Refugee Women's Project Experienced by Iraqi and Bhutanese Refugee Women
17. **David Cirillo '18 & *Tahirih Justice Center***
Gender Identity & Detainment: Transgender-specific Issues in Texan Immigration Detention
18. **Joshua Cory '13 & *Bering Omega Community Services***
Housing Assistance Program Impact Assessment
19. **Madelaine L. Delgado, '09 & *Coalition for Justice in the Maquiladoras***
Grassroots Organizing and Women's Leadership in the Community of Blanca Navidad, Nuevo Laredo
20. **Tori Dominguez '15 & *Rice University Well Being; Houston Area Women's Center***
Alcohol and Consent
21. **Jasmine Elliott '12 & *Tahirih Justice Center***
287(g)'s Impact on the Relationships among Law Enforcement Officials, Service Providers, and Immigrant Women in Houston, TX
22. **Brooke English '19 & *Texas Transgender Non-discrimination Summit***
Determining Access to Anti-Discrimination Policies in Community Colleges for Transgender/Gender Non-Conforming Populations
23. **Khadijah Erskine '16 & *Hatch Youth***
Retention of Minority Youth in the Hatch Youth Program
24. **Erin B. Felton, '09 & *Daya***
The Effect of Immigration Law on Domestic Violence in Houston's South Asian Community
25. **Colleen Fugate '14 & *Fe y Justicia Worker Center***
Communication among Transnational Families
26. **Taylor Gamez '16 & *Fe y Justicia Worker Center***
For Domestic Workers, By Domestic Workers:
A Graphic Novel Towards a Collective Understanding of Rights
27. **Sarah Gao '20 & *University of Texas Medical Branch***
The Pedagogy of Consent: An Analysis of The Fourth R Health Curriculum

28. **Meredith Glaubach '17 & *Last Organic Outpost***
Opportunities and Challenges Experienced by African Immigrant Women when Urban Farming in Houston
29. **Raven Graves '15 & *Baylor Teen Clinic***
Sexual-Schemata among African-American Women – A Focus Group Approach
30. **Cristina Halliburton, '11 & *YMCA International Services of Houston***
What Factors Determine, Influence, and Encourage Immigrants to Seek Out Legal Help: An Engaged Research Project at YMCA International Services of Houston
31. **Sophie Haase '13 & *Baylor Teen Clinic***
The Efficacy of HIV Risk Assessments for Minority Men Who Have Sex with Men
32. **Alissa Hart '13 & *The Bridge Over Troubled Waters***
Impact of Spanish Literature at The Bridge Over Troubled Waters
33. **Monica He '13 & *Lesbian Health Initiative of Houston, Inc.***
Social and Financial Barriers to Preventative Health Care for Lesbian Women in Houston
34. **K. C. Kaching Ho '15 & *Girls, Inc.***
Strong, Smart, and Bold: Optimizing Empowerment Programs for Girls
35. **Caroline A. Holcombe, '09 & *Children at Risk***
The Gender Gap in Dropout Rates in Greater Houston's High Schools
36. **Matthew Holloway '15 & *The Heritage Society***
Law, Community, and History: A Look at Houston's Queer History
37. **Lyahn Hwang '13 & *The Children's Assessment Center***
Analysis of the Current Level of Cultural Competency at The Children's Assessment Center
38. **Gary W. Johnson II, '09 & *Texas Association Against Sexual Assault***
Sexual Assault Primary Prevention Programs
39. **Lawrence Johnson '12 & *Houston Interfaith Worker Justice Center***
Conceptions of Compensation Entitlement Among HIWJC Clients
40. **McKenzie Johnson '16 & *Houston Fire Department***
Women in the Houston Fire Department
41. **Leah Kanihan '20 & *Houston Gay and Lesbian Parents***
Forming Families: LGBTQ Adoptions and Religious Right of Refusal
42. **Vineeta Kapahi, '10 & *Mothers for Clean Air/Galveston Houston Association for Smog Prevention***
What Factors Impact Response to Health Hazards in Environmental Justice Communities?
43. **Camila Kennedy '17 & *Fe y Justicia Worker Center***
Understanding Information Barriers to Legal Resources Among Immigrant Women in Houston
44. **Zara Khan '17 & *Baylor Teen Health Clinic***
Young Women's Perspectives on Sex and Social Media

45. **Anne Kim '14 & Baylor Teen Clinic**
Effects of Text Messaging on Sexual Health of Young Female Patients
46. **Rachel W. Kinney, '09 & Houston Area Women's Center**
What Factors Encourage Sexual Assault Victims to Seek Help?: An Engaged Research Project at the Houston Area Women's Center
47. **Emily Larimer '11 & Healthy Family Initiatives**
Following Healthy Family Initiatives' Home Visitation Program
48. **Tori Laxalt '14 & Texas Obituary Project**
Contextualizing the Texas Obituary Project: An Intersection of Houston's LGBT Community, the HIV/AIDS Crisis, and Digital Media
49. **Olivia Lee '17 & Equality Texas**
Barriers to Healthcare in the Transgender Community
50. **Xingyi Li '20 & Tahirih Justice Center**
Intersection of Barriers: Assessing the Needs of East Asian Immigrant Sexual Violence Survivors
51. **Katie Lobodzinski '19 & UT Health McGovern Medical School**
Imagining LGBTQ Cultural Competence In Psychiatry
52. **Elana Margosis '19 & Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast**
Evaluating Assessment Methods of a Middle School Health Curriculum used by Planned Parenthood Gulf Coast in Houston, Texas
53. **Hazel Marshall '20 & Texas Transgender Non-Discrimination Summit**
Transgender Experiences in University Mental Health Systems
54. **Zoe Matranga '16 & Montrose Center**
"Got a pause button?": Oral Histories of LGBT Seniors at the Montrose Diner
55. **Sara Millimet '11 & LIVE Consortium**
LIVE Consortium's Anti-Stigma Campaign: An Effective Instrument in Reducing HIV-Stigma?
56. **Amanda Mills '13 & Lesbian Health Initiative of Houston, Inc.**
LHI of Houston Oral History
57. **Claire J. Newman, '10 & HATCH**
Best Practices for LGBT Homeless Youth Shelters in the Houston Area
58. **Johannah Palomo '20 & Clinic Access Support Network**
"The Most Grassroots Thing You Can Do": Exploring Barriers to Abortion Access in Texas
59. **Cristell Perez '16 & Fe y Justicia Worker Center**
Dying for Recognition: Workers' Memorial Day Project
60. **Maria Pickett '13 & Women's Storybook Project**
Developing a Center for the Women's Storybook Project
61. **Senyte Pierce '19 & Bel Inizio**
What Happens Beyond the Finish Line?: Assessing Social Support Needs for Bel Inizio (BAMBI) Graduates

62. **Rachel Poppers '14 & Houston Area Women's Center**
Sexual Violence at Rice University:
A Workshop and Research Response
63. **Kendall Post '15 & Rice University Well Being; Houston Area Women's Center**
Sex, Relationships, and Consent at
Rice University
64. **Leeyah Rassu '14 & Houston Area Women's Center**
How Age, Occupation, and Weekly
Engagement Influence The Retention
Rate of Volunteers in The Houston
Area Women's Center Hotline
65. **Joshua Redwine '13 & Queer Voices on KPFT**
Community Funded Radio and the
Houston LGBT Community
66. **Anna E. Roberts, '10 & Houston Area Women's Center**
Examining State Legislation and its
Influence on the Houston Area
Women's Center
67. **Jessica Shim, '11 & Baylor Teen Clinic**
Can Family Influence Teens to
Practice Safe Sex?: An Engaged
Research Project with Baylor Teen
Clinic
68. **Lena Silva '13 & Houston Area Women's Center**
What Factors Encourage Spanish-
Speaking Survivors of Domestic
Violence To Seek Help?
69. **Sabrina Toppa '12 & Tahirih Justice Center**
Knowledge Barriers for Female
Houston-Area U-Visa Holders
70. **Saima Toppa '12 & Tahirih Justice Center**
The Implications of the One-Year
Asylum Filing Deadline on Gender-
Based Violence Survivors
71. **Katie Webber '19 & Hillel Houston**
LGBT Inclusion and Identity in
Jewish Community
72. **Anne Wei '14 & The Children's Assessment Center**
Barriers to Care for Spanish-
speaking Clients at the CAC
73. **Jenny Wen '13 & Baylor Teen Clinic**
Comparing Teen Health Clinic Staff
and College Students' Attitudes
toward Sexual Assault
74. **Casie Wilson '13 & AssistHers**
AssistHers Volunteer Evaluation and
Retention
75. **Jocelyn Wright, '11 & Houston Interfaith Worker Justice Center**
Domestic Workers in the Houston
Area
76. **Alexander Wyatt '11 & HATCH**
Researching GLBT Bullying