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## Education

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2015 Ph.D., Social Work and Sociology, University of Michigan

2012 M.S.W., Community Organizing/Community and Social Systems, University of Michigan

2007 B.A., History and Sociology/Anthropology, high honors, Swarthmore College

## Papers and Publications

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### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Gould-Werth, Alix. "Workplace Experiences and Unemployment Insurance Claims: How Personal Relationships and the Structure of Work Shape Access to Public Benefits." *Social Service Review*, vol. 90, no. 2, 2016, pp. 305-352.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and H. Luke Shaefer. "Do Alternative Base Periods Increase Unemployment Insurance Receipt Among Low-Educated Workers?" *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, vol. 32, no. 4, 2013, pp. 835-852.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and H. Luke Shaefer. "Participation in Unemployment Insurance: Differences in Application Rates and Receipt Among Applicants by Education and Race and Ethnicity." *Monthly Labor Review*, vol. 135, no. 10, 2012, pp. 28-41.

### PAPERS IN PROCESS

Gould-Werth, Alix. "The Help That We Get: How Private Resources Shape Individuals' Trajectories Following Job Loss and Amplify Racial Inequality." Under review.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and H. Luke Shaefer. "Supported from Both Sides? Changes in the Dynamics of Joint Participation in SNAP and UI Following the Great Recession." In process.

### POLICY BRIEFS, REPORTS, AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Gould-Werth, A. Book Review: *Legacies of the War on Poverty: National Poverty Center Series on Poverty and Public Policy* by Martha J. Bailey and Sheldon Danziger, eds., *Pacific Historical Review*, forthcoming.

Weigensberg, E., K. Needels, A. Gould-Werth, A. Patnaik, and J. Lee. "A Study of the Self-Employment Assistance Program: Helping Unemployed Workers Pursue Self-Employment." Final report submitted to the U.S. Department of Labor, Chief Evaluation Office. Princeton, NJ: Mathematica Policy Research, January 11, 2017.

Joyce, K., A. Gould-Werth, M. Derr, E. Sanchez-Eppler, C. Clowney, and L. Roberts. "Using Data to Connect TANF Clients to Good Jobs: An Opportunity to Foster WIOA Partnerships." Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 2015.

Joyce, K., M. Derr, A. Mastri, S. Bates, A. Gould-Werth, C. Clowney, and L. Roberts. "Resources for Connecting TANF Recipients and Other Low-Income Families to Good Jobs." Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 2015.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and Alexander Hertel-Fernandez. "The Real Unemployment Insurance Fix No One is Talking About." *Talking Points Memo*, online article, February 6, 2014.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and Alexander Hertel-Fernandez. "How to Fix America's Broken Unemployment Benefits." Brief for Scholar's Strategy Network *Basic Facts* series. Cambridge, MA: Scholar's Strategy Network, February 2014.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and Claire McKenna. "Unemployment Insurance Application and Receipt: Findings on Demographic Disparities and Suggestions for Change." Policy Brief for the National Employment Law Project. New York: National Employment Law Project, December 2012.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and Kristin Seefeldt. "Material Hardship in the Wake of the Great Recession: Findings from the Michigan Recession and Recovery Study." Policy Brief no. 35. Ann Arbor, MI: National Poverty Center, July 2012.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and Sarah A. Burgard. "Employment Problems in the Wake of the Great Recession: Findings from the Michigan Recession and Recovery Study." Policy Brief no. 30. Ann Arbor, MI: National Poverty Center, March 2012.

### **Presentations**

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Gould-Werth, Alix. "My Boss' Business? The Employer's Role in Unemployment Benefit Access." Presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM, November 2014.

Gould-Werth, Alix. "'The Help That We Get: Job Losers' Private Safety Nets and the Reproduction of Racial Inequality During the Great Recession.'" Presented at the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, August 2014; and the Welfare Research and Evaluation Conference, Washington, DC, May 2014.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and H. Luke Shaefer. "Better Together? Changes in the Dynamics of Joint Participation in SNAP and UI Following the Great Recession." Presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference, Washington, DC, November 2013; and the Welfare Research and Evaluation Conference, Washington, DC, May 2013.

Gould-Werth, Alix. "Making Unemployment Insurance Work Better for Low-Income Working Families." Webinar presentation with the Self-Sufficiency Research Clearinghouse, Washington, DC, August 19, 2013.

Gould-Werth, Alix, and H. Luke Shaefer. "Do Alternative Base Periods Increase Unemployment Insurance Receipt Among Low-Educated Workers?" Presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference, San Diego, January 2013; and the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference, Baltimore, November 2012.

Gould-Werth, Alix. "Radical Case Management." Presented at the RISE Conference: Social Work in an Era of Change, New York, 2010.

### **Peer Reviewer**

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*American Journal of Sociology*  
*Children and Youth Services Review*  
*Journal of Community Practice*  
*Population Research and Policy Review*  
*Social Forces*

## Honors and Awards

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2016	ProQuest Distinguished Dissertation Award
2014	Henry Meyer Award for Outstanding Paper in Social Work and Social Science
2014	Joint Doctoral Program Grant
2012	Clara P. Davis and Larry E. Davis Scholarship

## Experience

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### Mathematica Policy Research

As **Researcher and Interim Project Director, Freedom Fund Evaluation (2016-)**. Lead site selection and development of random assignment system for an experimental evaluation of a revolving bail fund providing bail payments to low-income defendants. The study, funded by the Laura and John Arnold Foundation, estimates the impact of receiving bail fund services on convictions in the current case and recidivism one year following random assignment.

As **Sub-study lead, Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Employment Policy and Measurement (2016-)**. Oversee all aspects of study design and implementation, including IRB approval, sampling strategy, and recruitment, for the Arkansas Stay-at-Work/Return-to-Work (SAW/RTW) study. This qualitative study, for the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research under subcontract to the University of New Hampshire, examines how employers seek to retain employees after they experience medical problems that challenge their ability to work.

### University of Michigan; Ann Arbor, MI

As **Teaching Assistant (2013, 2014)** in the Duke University and University of Michigan Workshops on Conducting Research with the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), assisted junior faculty and advanced graduate students in using SIPP data and consulted on research design questions.

As **Graduate Student Instructor (2011, 2013)** in Statistical Methods, Introductory Sociology, and Sociology of Inequality, planned and led discussion sections, introduced first-year sociology graduate students to Stata, and graded assignments.

### Urban Neighborhood Initiatives; Detroit, MI

As **Student Intern (2010)**, designed 10-week work readiness curriculum for the Youth Apprenticeship Program. Coordinated U.S. Census 2010 outreach to prevent undercounting in the Springwells Village area. Led an advanced English as a Second Language group in an adult education program.

### Fountain House; New York, NY

As **Program Staff (2007-2009)**, facilitated social interaction and job skill development for adults with serious mental illness. Developed food service, exercise, and health information dissemination programs. Managed 10 transitional employment placements at Baker Mackenzie Law Firm and Newsweek Magazine. Assisted members in accessing government benefits and entitlements. Participant in Advocacy Committee, bringing information about community services and relevant political campaigns to members and staff of the Fountain House Community.