

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



The Global Alliance for Behavioral Health & Social Justice (formerly the American Orthopsychiatric Association) informs policy, practice, and research to prevent behavioral health disorders and to promote conditions to ensure that people with disorders can be full participants in society. We focus on populations that are vulnerable or marginalized by policies, practices, attitudes, and institutional structures; embed our work in principles of human rights, including nondiscrimination, respect and dignity, and fairness; and apply principles of social justice to policy development, community action, systems change, and clinical practice. Learn more about us at www.bhjustice.org.

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

9-10:15 am

Montpetit Hall, MNT 203

Building capacity to address mental illness and emotional distress in low-resource settings and among refugee populations

2:30-3:45 pm

Social Sciences Building, FSS 1006

Policy engagement and competency development: Opportunities, resources, and pathways

Thursday, June 22, 2017

2:45-4 pm

Vanier Hall, VNR 1095

Fostering economic opportunity and social change: Transforming lives and communities in rural Guatemala

Friday, June 23, 2017

9-10:15

Social Sciences Building, FSS 1030

Community research and action in action: How one place-based initiative is implementing community psychology principles

10:30-11:45 am

Vanier Hall, VNR 2095

Minimizing risk and maximizing health for vulnerable youth of color: Using global mental health and community-based approaches

1-2:15 pm

Fauteux Hall, FTX 147

Max Hayman Award Lecture: The humanitarian imperative to learn: conducting and using research to increase impact in conflict-affected settings.

Marion Langer Award Lecture: Roles of community and regional participation in early childhood policy planning

Saturday, June 24, 2017

9-10:15 am

Social Sciences Building, FSS 1005

Integrating clinical and community psychology in training, research, and action

10:30-11:45 am

Social Sciences Building, FSS 1005

Involving students in civic engagement: Creating community/university partnerships

Global Alliance 2017 Award Lectures

Friday, June 23, 2017

1-2:15 pm

Fauteux Hall, FTX 147

The **Max Hayman Award** honors distinguished scholarship in the mental health disciplines that contributes to the elimination of genocide and the remembrance of the Holocaust.



Jeannie Annan, PhD

Dr. Jeannie Annan is the director of research and evaluation at the International Rescue Committee (IRC) and a Visiting Scientist at the Harvard School of Public Health. Prior to joining the IRC, Dr. Annan worked for nongovernmental education and child protection programs in Kosovo, northern Uganda, and South Sudan. Her research focuses on sexual and gender-based violence against women, children and youth in armed conflict, and psychosocial programs for victims of wartime and sexual violence.

The **Marion Langer Award** recognizes distinction in social advocacy and the pursuit of human rights.



Emily Vargas-Baron, PhD

Dr. Emily Vargas-Baron directs and conducts activities for The RISE Institute, a nonprofit organization committed to supporting activities for education and early childhood development in countries affected by conflict or extreme poverty. She also consults internationally in the fields of education and integrated early childhood development, focusing on policy planning, training, program design, and evaluation research. From 1994 to 2001, she was Deputy Assistant Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, where she directed the Center for Human Capacity Development. Previously, she founded and directed a research and development institute for early childhood development in Austin, Texas, called the Center for Development, Education, and Nutrition (now called Any Baby Can). Dr. Vargas-Barón was an Education Advisor for the Bogotá Office

of The Ford Foundation and a Program Specialist in Education for UNESCO in Paris. She holds a Ph.D. in Anthropology with a focus on Education from Stanford University, where she was also an Associate of the Stanford International Development Education Center. She is the author of many books, chapters, articles, and research and evaluation studies, and she has worked in Latin America, the Caribbean, Sub-Saharan Africa, North Africa, the Middle East, Europe, Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, Central Asia, and South Asia.

Now Accepting Nominations for the 2018 Vera S. Paster Award

The Paster Award is presented to a graduate student or postgraduate resident or fellow in a behavioral health or social justice program whose work has significantly contributed to the social, educational, physical, or psychological well-being of persons of color, thereby promoting their empowerment and ameliorating their disadvantages from oppression and its effects. Nominations of persons organizing or doing "hands-on" or "applied" work are particularly encouraged. The recipient of the Award will be invited to present his or her work at a Global Alliance meeting and/or for publication. The Award recipient will receive a \$1,000 stipend to be used to advance the Fellow's work and travel and lodging to attend a 2018 Global Alliance meeting.

Letters of nomination should describe the nominee's qualifications including relevant work experience and personal qualities that match the award criteria. Please limit letters of nomination to no more than 800 words. Self-nominations are welcome. Please also provide the names of two additional persons, their titles and contact details, who know first-hand the nominee and his or her work. The nominee's curriculum vita or resume should be attached to the nomination. Nominations can be emailed to: Office@bhjustice.org.

For more information about the Vera S. Paster Award or to view past recipients, go to <http://www.bhjustice.org/vera-paster-award>.