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EDUCATION

Ph.D., 2013, Political Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Dissertation title: *Promising Prevention: Greening the Breast Cancer Movement in the U.S.* Committee: John Brigham (chair), Laura Lovett, Jillian Schwedler

M.A., 2002, Women's Studies, Georgia State University

B.A., 2000, Women's Studies, Ithaca College

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

(2016-2020) Assistant Professor, Comparative Women's Studies, Spelman College

(2009-2016;2020) Lecturer, Women's and Gender Studies Department, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2015). *The Green Solution to Breast Cancer: The Promise of Prevention*. Santa Barbara, California: Praeger.

Manuscript in progress: Abatsis McHenry, K. (2019). *Don't frack your mother: women's health and activism*. (Under contract with University of Washington Press, Feminist Technoscience Series).

Articles in journals

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2020). "Getting Fracked: Gender Politics in the Fracking Debates" Forthcoming *Signs: Journal of Women and Culture in Society*.

Caretta, Martina and Abatsis McHenry, K. (2020). "Pipelining Appalachia. A perspective on the everyday lived experiences of rural communities at the frontline of energy distribution networks development." *Energy Research & Social Science*.

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2017). Fracking Women's Bodies: The impact of hydraulic fracturing on women in Pennsylvania. *International Journal of Feminist Approaches to*

Bioethics. 10 (2), pp.

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2017). "Lab Meeting: How do Black Lives Matter in Teaching, Lab Practices, and Research?: Black women in breast cancer research: from margin to center." Convened by Anne Pollock and Deboleena Roy. *Catalyst: Feminism, Theory, Technoscience*. 3 (1), pp. 1-38.

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2015). Breast Cancer Activism in the United States and the Politics of Genes. *International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics* Vol. 8, No. 1, pp. 182-200.

Chapters in books

Abatsis McHenry, K. & D. Schultz. (2015). Skinny Jeans, Perfection, and Competition in Motherhood. *Intensive Mothering: The Cultural Contradictions of Modern Motherhood*. Editor Linda Ennis. Demeter Press.

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2012). Women's Work: Global Trends and Demographics of Wealth and Employment. In C. Luetge Editor, *Handbook of the Philosophical Foundations of Business Ethics*. Netherlands: Springer.

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2011). Mothers are Women. In A. O'Reilly Editor, *21st Century Motherhood Movement*. York University: Demeter Press.

Book Reviews

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2014). [Review of the book *Academic Motherhood in a Post-Second Wave Context: Challenges, Strategies and Possibilities*, by L. O'Brien Hallstein & A. O'Reilly]. *Journal of the Motherhood Initiative*.

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2011). [Review of the book *Feminist Mothering*, by A. O'Reilly]. *Journal of the Motherhood Initiative*, 2.1, 307.

Works in Progress

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2019). "Men have breasts too!:cripping and queering the pinkification of breast cancer"

Other Publications

Abatsis McHenry, K. (2011). Cancer, Environmental Factors. In *The Multimedia Encyclopedia of Women in Today's World*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

McHenry, K. (2011). ISHA. In *The Multimedia Encyclopedia of Women in Today's World*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Spelman College

- 2017 Faculty Development Grant, Provost's Office at Spelman College, Atlanta, GA.
- 2018 Gordon-Zeto Center for Global Education Curriculum Internationalization Grant at Spelman College, Atlanta, GA.

University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

- 2013 Travel Grant, Office of Faculty Development at University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, National Women's Studies Association Conference, Oakland, CA
- 2012 Travel Grant, Conference National Women's Studies Association Conference, Oakland, CA
- 2011 Travel Grant, Conference Brocher Foundation, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2010 Faculty Participant, IBIS/Davis Educational Grant, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

University of Massachusetts, Boston

- 2012 Provost's Award for Scholarly and Creative Activities, University of Massachusetts, Boston

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2020 Abatsis McHenry, K. "Men have breasts too!: the impact of pink ribbon breast cancer advocacy on men's breast cancer experiences." Roundtable "The Future of Feminist Disability Studies" NeMLA, Boston, MA.
- 2017 Abatsis McHenry, K. (November 8-11) *How do Black Lives Matter in Biomedical Research*. Paper presented at "National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference," Baltimore, MD.
- 2017 Abatsis McHenry, K. (August 30-Sept. 2) *Pink Drill Bits: A feminist analysis of fracking and breast cancer advocacy*. Paper presented at "4S: Annual Meeting of the Society for Social Studies of Science," Boston, MA.
- 2017 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 20-23) *Brigham, mentorship and the boundaries of political science*. Paper presented at roundtable "Law as Constitutive: Reflections on Contributions of John Brigham to Sociolegal Studies."

- 2015 Abatsis McHenry, K. (November 12-15) *Precarious Truths: Listening to Women's Voices in the Fracking Debates* Paper presented at National Women's Studies Association Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, WI.
- 2015 Abatsis McHenry, K. (September 3-6) *Fracking Women's Bodies: The impact of hydraulic fracturing on women in Pennsylvania* Paper presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Biopolicy panel, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 24-25) *BPA, Cancer, and Reproductive Health* Paper presented at New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT.
- 2015 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 24-25) *Fracking Women's Bodies* Paper presented at New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT.
- 2015 Abatsis McHenry, K. (January 30) *Fracking Women's Bodies* Paper to be presented at The Third Annual Capital District Feminist Studies Conference, Albany, NY.
- 2014 Abatsis McHenry, K. (August 30-31) *Environmental Breast Cancer Activism in the United States and the Politics of Genes*. Paper to be presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C.
- 2014 Abatsis McHenry, K. (November 13-16) *Working to Ban BPA: Demanding Policies for Protection*. Presented at Creating Justice: Interrogating Reproduction and Health Policies Panel at The National Women's Studies Association Feminist Transgressions Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2014 Abatsis McHenry, K. (February 7-9) *Feminism and Facebook*. Paper presented at The Integrating Technology into the Classroom Workshop at The American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- 2013 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 18-20) *Breast Cancer and Environmental Justice*. Paper presented at The South Eastern National Women's Studies Association, Greensboro, North Carolina.
- 2012 Abatsis McHenry, K. (November 8-11). *Online Social Networking: Constructions of Feminism and Motherhood*. Paper presented at the Sponsored Panel of the Feminist Mothering Caucus: Motherhood Studies Unbound: Negotiating and (Re)Imagining Our Disciplinary Future, National Women's Studies Association, Oakland, California.
- 2011 Abatsis McHenry, K. (December 15-16). *The Environmental Breast Cancer Movement and the Politics of BRCA*. Paper presented at the BRCA Network:

Gene Research and Medical Practices Social Sciences Conference, Brocher Foundation, Geneva, Switzerland.

- 2010 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 8). *You're not.... Oh. You're pregnant*. Paper presented at the Being and Thinking as an Academic Mother, The Association for Research on Mothering and the Simone de Beauvoir Institute, Concordia University.
- 2008 Abatsis McHenry, K. (February 29 & March 1). *Feminist Theory, Breast Cancer, and Transnational Activism*. Paper presented at the 20th Annual Conference on Women and Gender: Transnational Feminism, Community Activism, and the Politics of Empowerment, University of Connecticut.
- 2008 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 25-26). *The Greening of Women's Bodies: Links between population, reproduction, and environment*. Paper presented at the New England Political Science Association Conference.
- 2008 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 20). *The Greening of Women's Bodies: Links between population, reproduction, and environment*. Paper presented at the June Baker Higgins Gender Studies Conference, Central Connecticut State University.

CAMPUS OR DEPARTMENTAL TALKS

- 2017 "The Politics of Pink Ribbons: An examination of Breast Cancer Activism in the United States." March 30, 2017 in Laura Spelman room. Sponsored by the Social Justice Scholars at Spelman College.
- 2017 "The Politics of Pink Ribbons: An examination of Breast Cancer Activism in the United States." *Celebration of Faculty Achievements* on March 20, 2017 at the AUC Robert W. Woodruff Library,
- 2017 "Women Water Protectors: The Feminist Politics of Fracking" March 17, 2017 Invited talk at the Women's Research and Resource Center's Toni Cade Bambara speaker events, Spelman College, Atlanta, GA.
- 2016 "Pink Ribbon Politics." Center for Women, Gender, & Sexuality at the University of University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.
- 2014 "Differentiated Learning." Office of Faculty Development at the University of University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.
- 2013 "Think Pink: Breast Cancer Awareness." Center for Women, Gender, & Sexuality at the University of University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

- 2013 “Breast Cancer Activism.” Center for Women, Gender, & Sexuality at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.
- 2013 “Teaching Millennials.” Office of Faculty Development at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.
- 2012 “Teaching Millennials.” Office of Faculty Development at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Spelman College, Atlanta

Women’s Health Disparities 2017-2020
 Gender, Health, in Cross-Cultural Perspectives 2016-2020
 Introduction to Comparative Women’s Studies 2016-2020

University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

Disposable Women (Online) 2014
 Global Women’s Health Politics (Online and traditional) 2011-2015; 2020
 Sex Workers, Nannies, and Maids 2013-2015
 Introduction to Women’s Studies (Online, web enhanced, and traditional) 2009-2015; 2020
 Introduction to Feminist Theory (Online and traditional) 2011-2015
 Feminist Research Methods (web enhanced) 2011-2015; 2020
 International Women’s Human Rights 2013
 Ecofeminism Theory and Practice (online) 2012-2016
 Special Topics: Women’s Health and Environment (blended) 2011; 2020
 Special Topics: Women in International Politics 2010
 Global Perspectives of Women 2009

University of Massachusetts, Boston

Women and Society 2008-2011
 Global Perspectives of Women 2009

University of Massachusetts, Amherst sole instructor

Writing for Political Science (online and traditional) 2007-2008
 Feminist Political Theory (online) 2008

University of Massachusetts, Amherst teaching assistant

Writing in Political Science
 Introduction to Comparative Politics

Controversies in Public Policy
American Politics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2000-2002 Research Assistant, Women's Studies Institute, Georgia State University.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- 2020 Manuscript reviewer, *Energy Research and Social Science*
- 2019 Manuscript reviewer, *Journal of Feminist Scholarship*
- 2019 Manuscript reviewer, *Catalyst: Feminism, Theory, Technoscience*
- 2017 Abatsis McHenry, K. (April 20-23) served as panel chair on "State and Local Policymaking" at the New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Providence, RI.
- 2015 Served on the Conference Planning Committee for the New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT.
- 2015 Proposed accepted panel *Gender, Environment, and the Politics of Debility* for the upcoming National Women's Studies Association 2015 conference in Milwaukee, WI.
- 2015 Proposed accepted panel *Gender and Civic Political Participation* New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT.
- 2015 Served as chair and discussant for panel *Gender and Civic Political Participation* New England Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Haven, CT.
- 2013 Donation of Interview Transcripts to the Schlesinger Library on the History of Women at Radcliff Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University.
- 2013 Manuscript Reviewer, *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*
- 2008 Manuscript Reviewer, *Intersections*

DEPARTMENT AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Social Justice Mentor, Spelman College 2016-2020.

Women's Studies Steering Committee, Spelman College 2016-2020

Health Council, Spelman College, 2018-2020

Honors Program Committee Member, 2018-2019

Undergraduate Research Day Committee, 2018-2019

Portfolio Assessment Committee, Women's and Gender Studies, 2014-2015, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Assessment Committee, Women's and Gender Studies, 2013-2014, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Women's and Gender Studies Advisor, 2013-2015, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

Coordinator Online Course Redesign Women's and Gender Studies, Assessment Committee, Women's and Gender Studies, 2013, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Creator of Online Course, Disposable Women, 2013, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

Participant in Office of Faculty Development Differentiated Learning, 2013.

Participant in Office of Faculty Development Curriculum Development of Teaching and Learning Project, 2013.

Participant in Office of Faculty Development Enhanced Writing Initiative, 2012.

Creator of Online Course, Global Women's Health Politics and Activism, 2012, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

Creator of Online Learning Module, Writing for Women's Studies, 2011, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth.

Horizons Scholar Program Mentor, Research on Minority Health Disparity, University of Massachusetts Boston, 2010-2012.

MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE

2013-present American Political Science Association

2012-present National Women's Studies Association

2012-2013 Feminists Against Academic Discrimination