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Positions Held

- 2025-Present **Assistant Professor, Head and Neck Surgery and Communication Sciences**
Duke University School of Medicine, effective July 1, 2025
- 2024-Present **Faculty Research Scholar, Duke University Population Research Institute**
Duke University Social Science Research Institute
- 2023-Present **Senior Fellow, Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development**
Duke University School of Medicine
- 2023-2025 **Medical Instructor, Head and Neck Surgery and Communication Sciences**
Duke University School of Medicine
- 2021-2023 **NIA Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for the Study of Aging and Human Development**
Duke University School of Medicine
- 2012-2014 **Visiting Post Baccalaureate Research Fellow, Otology and Laryngology**
Harvard Medical School
- 2012-2014 **Research Fellow, Eaton-Peabody Laboratories**
Massachusetts Eye and Ear

Education

- 2021 **Ph.D. in Sociology, Duke University**
Areas of Specialization: Medical Sociology, Demography
- 2018 **M.A. in Sociology, Duke University**
- 2015 **M.P.H., Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health**
Sociomedical Sciences with a certificate in Public Health Research Methods
- 2012 **B.A. in Social Anthropology, University of Michigan**
Graduated with Distinction and High Honors
- 2011 **Boston University Summer Session, Department of Deaf Studies**
Studied American Sign Language and Deaf Literature

Research Interests

Medical Sociology; Hearing Loss; Stigma; Public Health; Life Course & Aging

Publications

Denotes *graduate student co-author, **undergraduate student co-author, †shared first author.

2026 **West JS**, HR Crowder, R Jiang, & ME Dupre. “Self-Reported Hearing Loss and Expressions of Anger in U.S. Older Adults.” *American Journal of Audiology*, online ahead of print. doi: 10.1044/2026_AJA-25-00263

West JS, Q Chen,** SL Smith, J Bao, F Zou, YJ Li, & R Jiang. “Epigenetic Age Acceleration and Hearing Function in U.S. Older Adults.” *Ear and Hearing*, online ahead of print. doi: 10.1097/aud.0000000000001797.

West JS, H Xu, HW Francis, SL Smith, & ME Dupre. “The Impact of Hearing Loss on Hospitalizations among U.S. Adults with Heart Failure.” *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, online ahead of print. doi: 10.1007/s11606-025-10107-6.

2025 Lam A, YC Vierboom, & **JS West**. “Gender Differences in Hearing Loss and Hearing Aid Use: A Cross-National Comparison.” *BMJ Global Health*, 10(10):e017655. doi: 10.1136/bmjgh-2024-017655.

- Featured in: *BMJ Group News* (<http://bit.ly/4o0HtIs>).

West JS †, JM Pavon †, D Guggenheim,** H Wessler,* I Kaul,** B Garg,** M Matela,* M Bao,** K Wiafe,** HW Francis, SL Smith, & KM Riska. “An Exploratory Study of the Impact of Hearing Handicap on Listening Fatigue During Healthcare Encounters Among Older Adults.” *American Journal of Audiology*, 34(4):886-895. doi: 10.1044/2025_AJA-25-00056.

Dupre, ME, R Dhingra, H Xu, BG Hammill, SM Lynch, **JS West**, MD Green, LH Curtis, & ED Peterson. “Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Longitudinal Trajectories of Hospitalizations in Patients Diagnosed with Heart Failure.” *American Heart Journal*, 287:32-40. doi: 10.1016/j.ahj.2025.04.006.

Read JG, K Ajrouch, & **JS West**. “A Sociodemographic Overview of Diverse Arab Communities in Arab Detroit.” In: Hanoosh Y, Howell S, Shryock A (editors). *Beyond Refuge in Arab Detroit*. Wayne State University Press: Detroit, MI. p. 29-61.

West JS, JR Dubno, HW Francis, & SL Smith. “Hearing Screening in Older Adults in Primary Care Clinics: How the Effects of Setting and Provider Encouragement Differ by Patient Sex and Race.” *Ear & Hearing*, 46(2):512-522. doi: 10.1097/aud.0000000000001604.

2024 Dhingra R, H Xu, BG Hammill, SM Lynch, **JS West**, MD Green, E Peterson, L Curtis, & ME Dupre. “Association Between Socioeconomic Disadvantage and Risks of Early and Recurrent Admissions Among Patients With Newly Diagnosed Heart Failure.” *Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes*, 17(12):e011141. doi: 10.1161/circoutcomes.124.011141.

Stockton MA, HW Francis, **JS West**, RD Stelmach, E Troutman Adams, JD Kraemer, K Saalim, MI Wallhagen, M Nyarko, G Madson, N Boafom, NAV Owusu, LG Musa, J Alberg, JJW Chung, A Preston, E Gyamera, S Chadha, LP Davis, S Garg, C McMahon, BO Olusanya, GA Tavartkiladze, D Tucci, BS Wilson, & L Nyblade. “Development of Measures for d/Deaf and Hard of Hearing Stigma: Introduction to the Special Issue from the *Lancet* Commission on Hearing Loss Sub-Committee on Stigma.” *Ear & Hearing*, 45(Suppl 1):4S-16S. doi: 10.1097/AUD.0000000000001543.

- West JS,**[‡] RD Stelmach,[‡] HW Francis,[‡] X Zhu, CH Wu, MA Stockton, E Troutman Adams, G Madson, JD Kraemer, & L Nyblade. “Preliminary Validation of Hearing Device Stigma Measures in Four United States Populations.” *Ear & Hearing*, 45(Suppl 1):53S-61S. doi: 10.1097/AUD.0000000000001539.
- Wallhagen MI, JD Kraemer, K Saalim, E Troutman Adams, RD Stelmach, **JS West**, JJW Chung, & L Nyblade. “Development and Preliminary Evaluation of Stigma Measures for Care Partners of People who are d/Deaf or Hard of Hearing.” *Ear & Hearing*, 45(Suppl 1):35S-41S. doi: 10.1097/AUD.0000000000001540.
- Nyblade L, X Zhu, K Saalim, CH Wu, MA Stockton, E Troutman Adams, **JS West**, RD Stelmach, & JD Kraemer. “Preliminary Validation of Experienced Ageism Measures with Four Populations in the United States.” *Ear & Hearing*, 45(Suppl 1):62S-69S. doi: 10.1097/AUD.0000000000001475.
- Stelmach RD, LG Musa, **JS West**, MI Wallhagen, JD Kraemer, MA Stockton, & L Nyblade. “Research Agenda and Applications for New Preliminarily Validated Stigma Measures for d/Deaf and Hard of Hearing Stigma.” *Ear & Hearing*, 45(Suppl 1):702-78S. doi: 10.1097/AUD.0000000000001491.
- Burns SD & **JS West**. “Cross-National Differences in Older Men’s Hearing Difficulty Disadvantage.” *Journal of Aging and Health*, 37(5-6):356-367. doi: 10.1177/08982643241251939.
- Hreha K, R Samper-Ternent, HE Whitson, LP Downer, **JS West**, & B Downer. “The Association of Vision and Hearing Impairment on Cognitive Function and Loneliness: Evidence from the Mexican Health and Aging Study.” *Journal of Aging and Health*, 37(5-6):337-346. doi: 10.1177/08982643241247583.
- 2023 Smith SL, HW Francis, DL Witsell, JR Dubno, RJ Dolor, JP Bettger, M Silberberg, CF Pieper, KA Schulz, P Majumder, AR Walker, V Eifert, **JS West**, A Singh, & DL Tucci. “A Pragmatic Clinical Trial of Hearing Screening in Primary Care Clinics: Effect of Setting and Provider Encouragement.” *Ear & Hearing*, 45(1):23-34. doi: 10.1097/aud.0000000000001418.
- Wang N, H Xu, **JS West**, T Østbye, B Wu, Y Xian, & ME Dupre. “Association Between Perceived Risk of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias and Cognitive Function Among U.S. Older Adults.” *Archives of Gerontology and Geriatrics*, 115:105126. doi: 10.1016/j.archger.2023.105126.
- Oliva A,[‡] **JS West**,[‡] SL Smith, RJ Huang, & KM Riska. “Association Between Hearing Handicap and Life-Space Mobility in a Patient Population.” *American Journal of Audiology*, 32(2):360-368. doi: 10.1044/2023_AJA-22-00052.
- Copeland M, C Kamis, & **JS West**. “To Make and Keep Friends: The Role of Physical Health in Adolescent Network Tie Formation and Persistence.” *Social Networks*, 74:216-223. doi: 10.1016/j.socnet.2023.04.005.
- West JS**, SL Smith, & ME Dupre. “The Impact of Hearing Loss on Trajectories of Depressive Symptoms in Married Couples.” *Social Science & Medicine*, 321:115780. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2023.

- 2022 **West JS**, SL Smith, & ME Dupre. “Self-Reported Hearing Loss, Hearing Aid Use, and Cognitive Function among U.S. Older Adults.” *International Journal of Population Studies*, 8(1):17-26. doi: 10.18063/ijps.v8i1.1308.
- Riska KM, SB Peskoe, M Kuchibhatla, A Gordee, J Pavon, SE Kim,* **JS West**, & SL Smith. “Impact of Hearing Aid Use on Falls and Falls Related Injury: Results from the Health and Retirement Study.” *Ear & Hearing*, 43(2):487-494. doi: 10.1097/AUD.0000000000001111.
- West JS** & C Kamis.* “The Long-Term Impact of Childhood Disability on Mental Health Trajectories in Mid- to Late-Life.” *Journal of Aging & Health*. doi: 10.1177/08982643211066184.
- 2021 Zang E, **JS West**, N Kim,** & C Pao.** “U.S. Regional Disparities in Physical Distancing: Evaluating Racial and Socioeconomic Divides During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *PLOS ONE*, 16(11): e0259665. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0259665.
- Featured in: *YaleNews* (<https://bit.ly/3RnejNK>).
- Kamis C,* A Stolte,* **JS West**, S Fishman, T Brown,* T Brown, HR Farmer. “Overcrowding and COVID-19 Mortality Across U.S. Counties: Are Disparities Growing Over Time?” *SSM-Population Health*, 15:100845. doi: 10.1016/j.ssmph.2021.100845.
- West JS**, SL Smith, & ME Dupre. “Hearing Loss.” In: Gu D, Dupre M (editors). *Encyclopedia of Gerontology and Population Health*. Springer: Cham. p. 1-11.
- Read JG, SM Lynch, & **JS West**. “Disaggregating Heterogeneity among Non-Hispanic Whites: Evidence and Implications for U.S. Racial/Ethnic Health Disparities.” *Population Research and Policy Review*, 40:9-31. doi: 10.1007/s11113-020-09632-5.
- West JS** & SM Lynch. “Demographic and Socioeconomic Disparities in Life Expectancy with Hearing Impairment in the U.S.” *The Journals of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences & Social Sciences*, 76(5):944-955. doi: 10.1093/geronb/gbaa166.
- West JS**. “Hearing Impairment and Mental Health Among Married Couples.” *The Journals of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences & Social Sciences*, 76(5):933-943. doi: 10.1093/geronb/gbaa023.
- Featured on: *Academic Minute* (<https://bit.ly/3mP9Zi5>).
 - Honorable Mention, Graduate Paper Award, American Sociological Association Section on Aging and the Life Course
- 2020 **West JS**, KH Franck, & DB Welling. “Providing Health Care to Patients with Hearing Loss During COVID-19 and Physical Distancing.” *Laryngoscope Investigative Otolaryngology*, 5:396-398. doi: 10.1002/lio2.382.
- Zang E, SM Lynch, & **JS West**. “Regional Differences in the Impact of Diabetes on Population Health in the United States.” *Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health*, 75(1):56-61. doi: 10.1136/jech-2020-214267.
- Read JG, **JS West**, & C Kamis.* “Immigration and Health among Non-Hispanic Whites: The Impact of Arrival Cohort and Region of Birth.” *Social Science & Medicine*, 246:112754. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2019.112754.

- 2019 Read JG, KJ Ajrouch, & **JS West**. “Disparities in Functional Disability among Arab Americans by Nativity, Immigrant Arrival Cohort, and Country of Birth.” *SSM-Population Health*, 7:100325. doi: 10.1016/j.ssmph.2018.100325.
- 2017 **West JS**. “Hearing Impairment, Social Support, and Depressive Symptoms Among U.S. Adults: A Test of the Stress Process Paradigm.” *Social Science & Medicine*, 192:94-101. doi: 10.1016/j.socscimed.2017.09.031.
- Featured in: *Duke Research Blog* (<https://bit.ly/3RmVhXC>)
 - Featured in: *Futurity* (<https://bit.ly/3BlcjzT>).
- 2016 **West JS**, JCM Low, & KM Stankovic (2016) “Revealing Hearing Loss: A Survey of How People Verbally Disclose Their Hearing Loss.” *Ear and Hearing*, 37(2):194-205. doi: 10.1097/AUD.0000000000000238.
- Featured in: *Reuters Health News* (<https://reut.rs/3eutXs7>)
 - Featured in: *AARP* (<https://bit.ly/3RJi8fP>).

Under Review

Xu H, R Dhingra, BG Hammill, Z Li, SM Lynch, **JS West**, MD Green, ED Peterson, LH Curtis, & ME Dupre. “Longitudinal Trajectories of Hospitalizations in U.S. Older Adults with Heart Failure.”

Ge S, Q Zeng, & **JS West**. “Health Disparities in Hearing and Vision Impairment Among Spousal Caregivers of Persons with Dementia.”

Research in Progress

West, JS, H Xu, V Nalawade, BG Hammill, SM Lynch, MD Green, & ME Dupre. “Patterns and Predictors of Hospitalizations Over Time in U.S. Older Adults Diagnosed with Heart Failure.”

Glover, L, V Nalawade, A Clark, H Xu, MD Green, **JS West**, Q Yang, SM Lynch, & ME Dupre. “Socioeconomic Status and 10-Year Risks of ASCVD in Middle-Aged and Older Adults.”

West, JS, Laura Nyblade, & JD Kraemer. “Types of d/Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Stigma and Their Associations with Social Decision-Making Among Adults in the U.S. and Ghana.”

Kalina, C, W Ding, **JS West**, YJ Li, & R Jiang. “Investigating Psychosocial Stress as a Potential Risk Factor for Hearing Loss.”

West, JS, N Ko, & R Jiang. “Examining the Protective Role of Psychosocial Resilience against Depressive Symptoms in Individuals with Hearing Loss.”

West, JS & SM Lynch. “Hearing and Cognitively Impaired Life Expectancies in U.S. Older Adults.”

Jiang, X, Q Chen, **JS West**, & R Jiang. “Epigenetic Age Acceleration and Audiometric Hearing Loss in U.S. Adults: Evidence from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey.”

West, JS, ME Dupre, & H Xu. “Characterizing Family Structure among Persons with ADRD in the U.S. and China.”

Washabaugh C, M Cohen, JR Dubno, HW Francis, C Helgerson, A del Risco, **JS West**, & SL Smith.
 “Hearing Screenings in Primary Care Annual Wellness Visits.”

Fellowships and Funding

Applied

- 2026 **Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Letter of Intent (April submission)**, “Reducing Hearing Loss Stigma to Improve Hearing Outcomes and Mental Health.” Role: PI.
- 2025 **K01 (November resubmission) (K01DC023305-01A1)**, “Improving Hearing Healthcare Outcomes by Addressing Hearing Loss Stigma: A Mixed Methods Approach.” Role: PI.
- William T. Grant Foundation Scholars Program (June submission)**, “Reducing Stigma to Improve Quality of Life Outcomes in Young People with Hearing Loss.” Role: PI.
- R03 (June submission)**, “Psychosocial Stress and Epigenetic Signatures in Hearing Loss Among Aging Adults.” PI: R Jiang; Role: Co-I.
- K01 (February submission) (K01DC023305)**, “Improving Hearing Healthcare Outcomes by Addressing Hearing Loss Stigma: A Mixed Methods Approach.” Role: PI.
- R01 (February submission)**, “Hearing Screening and Healthcare Access: Barriers and Facilitators in Primary Care.” MPIs: SL Smith & HW Francis; Role: Co-I.

Awarded

- 2026 **New Investigator Award (\$1,500)**, American Auditory Society. Provides travel support for new investigators to attend and present at the AAS annual scientific meeting.
- 2025 **Pilot Funding Award (\$119,765)**, “Exploring Differences in Self-Reported and Objective Hearing Loss Using a Digital Hearing Tool.” Duke Center for Population Health and Aging. Role: PI.
- 2024 **Pilot Funding Award (\$55,634)**, “Racial and Ethnic Differences in Age-Related Hearing Loss.” Duke Population Research Institute. PI: ME Dupre; Role: Co-I.
- 2023 **NIA Diversity Supplement (R01AG075210-S1) (\$284,350)**, “The Impact of Hearing Loss for Trajectories of Hospitalizations among Older Adults with Heart Failure.” (R01AG075210; PI: ME Dupre). Role: PI.
- New Investigator Award (\$1,000)**, American Auditory Society. Provides travel support for new investigators to attend and present at the AAS annual scientific meeting.
- 2022 **Maddox Fellow Award (\$5,000)**, Aging Center, Duke University School of Medicine. Recognizes early career investigators who have demonstrated outstanding academic potential in their field.

- 2021-2023 **Duke Aging Center Postdoctoral Research Training Program (T32AG000029) (\$105,408)**, National Institute on Aging.
- 2021 **Data Expedition Award (\$1,500)**, Rhodes Information Initiative, Duke University. Two-day data analysis course for undergraduate students (<https://bit.ly/3qoU1Hv>).
- 2019-2020 **Phillip Jackson Baugh Fellowship (\$23,850)**, Duke University Graduate School. Competitive fellowship providing an annual stipend, tuition, and fees.
- 2018 **Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,500)**, Duke University Graduate School.
- 2017 **Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,500)**, Duke University Graduate School.
- 2016 **Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,500)**, Duke University Graduate School.
- 2011 **Beverly J. Waterman Scholarship (\$1,500)**, University of Michigan.

Affiliations

- 2025-Present **Executive Committee Member, Duke University Population Research Institute**
- 2025-Present **North Carolina Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing**
Appointed by Governor Josh Stein to serve a one-year term as a Hard of Hearing Consumer. The Council serves as an advisory board to the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Public Instruction on matters pertaining to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.
- 2024-Present **Inclusive Language Committee, Duke University Health System**
- 2021-Present **Lancet Commission on Hearing Loss (LCHL), COVID-19 Working Group**
Invited by Dr. Gerard M. O'Donoghue (Chair) to join the COVID-19 working group, which is tasked with documenting the impact of COVID-19 and lessons learned from the pandemic in the context of hearing loss.
- 2019-Present **Lancet Commission on Hearing Loss (LCHL), Measures, Models, and Stigma Reduction Subgroup**
Invited by Drs. Howard Francis & Laura Nyblade (Co-Chairs) to join the stigma working group, which is exploring current hearing loss stigma and opportunities to address it.
- 2019-Present **Lancet Commission on Hearing Loss (LCHL), Consultant**
Invited by Drs. Debara Tucci & Blake Wilson (Commission Co-Chairs).
- 2018-2021 **Massachusetts Eye and Ear Audiology Leadership Advisory Council**
Invited by Dr. Kevin Franck, then Director of Audiology. Role included lending expertise in research and social determinants of health to division issues and opportunities.

Awards and Distinctions

- 2025 **Competitive Training, University of Michigan School of Public Health**

- Accepted as a member of the sixth cohort of the Michigan Integrative Well-Being and Inequality (MIWI) Training Program.
- 2021-2022 **Competitive Training, Duke Center for Research to Advance Healthcare Equity**
Accepted to complete the Health Disparities Research Curriculum.
- 2021-2022 **Competitive Training, Duke University School of Medicine**
Accepted to complete training in Clinical Research with Electronic Health Records.
- 2020 **Graduate Student Paper Award Honorable Mention**
American Sociological Association Section on Aging and the Life Course, “Hearing Impairment and Mental Health among Married Couples.”
- 2017 **Competitive Workshop Sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**
Accepted to attend “Health Disparities, Health Inequities, and Vulnerable Populations: Research Examining and Understanding Complexity,” an ICPSR workshop at the University of Michigan. July 10-14. Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- 2012 **Robert Cooley Angell Honors Thesis Award, University of Michigan**
Awarded for the best honors thesis in Sociology, “The Everyday Management of a Hard of Hearing Identity.”

Invited Lectures

- 2025 “The Impact of Hearing Loss on Hospitalizations among U.S. Adults with Heart Failure.” *11th Annual Demography Daze: Duke University Population Research Institute and Carolina Population Center, Duke University. Sept 26.*
- “Health and Healthcare Utilization in Populations with Hearing Loss.” *Grand Rounds, Department of Speech Pathology & Audiology, Duke University. Aug 19.*
- “Hearing Loss, Stigma, and Management Strategies.” *First Cary United Methodist Church Senior Group (Just Older Youth). Cary, NC. June 18.*
- “Research Symposium – Stigma: Making the Invisible Actionable.” *Hearing Loss Association of America Annual Convention. Indianapolis, IN. June 13. The Research Symposium is supported by NIDCD R13DC017913.*
- “Stigma and Hearing Loss: What Can We Do About It?” *Wake Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America Chapter Meeting. Cary, NC. February 27.*
- 2024 “Hearing Loss Research at the Intersection of Medical Sociology and Clinical Practice.” *Rehabilitation Research Seminar, Department of Physical Therapy, Duke University. Aug 28.*
- 2023 “Bridging Medical Sociology and Clinical Practice in Hearing Loss Research.” *R25 Otolaryngology Research Seminar, Department of Head and Neck Surgery & Communication Sciences, Duke University. Dec 20.*
- “Special Populations: People with Hearing Loss.” *PHS 705: Topics in Population Health Sciences, Department of Population Health Sciences, Duke University. Nov 28.*

- 2022 “Lightning Talk: Hearing Loss and Healthy Aging” *Aging Center Research and Education Retreat, Duke University. Dec 16.*
- “Hearing Loss Research at the Intersection of Medical Sociology and Audiological Practice.” *Grand Rounds, Department of Speech Pathology & Audiology, Duke University. Dec 1.*
- “Special Populations: People with Hearing Loss.” *PHS 705: Topics in Population Health Sciences, Department of Population Health Sciences, Duke University. Nov 8.*
- “Hearing Loss Research at the Intersection of Medical Sociology and Clinical Practice.” *Grand Rounds, Department of Head and Neck Surgery & Communication Sciences, Duke University. Oct 19.*
- “Health and Well-Being of People with Hearing Loss and Their Spouses.” *Grand Rounds, Geriatrics Department, Duke University. Feb 21.*
- “Racial Differences in Hearing Loss.” *International Sensory Aging Research (SENSE) Network. Feb 22.*
- 2021 “Special Populations: People with Hearing Loss.” *PHS 705: Topics in Population Health Sciences, Department of Population Health Sciences, Duke University. Nov 2.*
- 2018 “Birth Outcomes among Women with Hearing Loss.” *Audiology Department Leadership Advisory Council Meeting, Massachusetts Eye and Ear. Nov 19. Boston, MA.*
- 2017 “Disparities in Disability among Arab Americans by Nativity Status and Immigrant Arrival Cohort.” *Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services (ACCESS). Sept 21-22. Dearborn, MI.*
- “Disaggregating Health Data among Whites: Implications for Research and Policy.” *Workshop hosted by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, “The Role of Data Disaggregation.” June 28-29. Washington, D.C.*
- “Hearing Impairment, Social Support, and Depressive Symptoms Among U.S. Adults: A Test of the Stress Process Paradigm.” *Continuing Medical Education, Audiology Department, Massachusetts Eye and Ear. June 19. Boston, MA.*
- 2012 “The Everyday Management of a Hard of Hearing Identity.” *Continuing Medical Education, Audiology Department, Massachusetts Eye and Ear. Boston, MA.*

Selected Presentations

Bold denotes when JS West is presenting author.

- 2026 **West JS** & MG Merli. “Formative Research to Recruit People with Hearing Loss Using Respondent-Driven Sampling.” *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. May 6-9. St. Louis, MO.*
- West JS**, MA Stockton, HW Francis, RD Stelmach, E Troutman Adams, JD Kraemer, K Saalim, MI Wallhagen, M Nyarko, N Bofo, NAV Owusu, E Gyamera, SL Smith, & L Nyblade. “Lancet Commission on Hearing Loss: Novel Tools to Measure Stigma.” *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. May 6-9. St. Louis, MO.*

- West, JS, H Xu, HW Francis, SL Smith, & ME Dupre.** “Hearing Loss Increases Hospitalizations among U.S. Older Adults with Heart Failure.” *American Auditory Society Annual Scientific and Technology Conference. Feb 26-28. Scottsdale, AZ.*
- West, JS, HR Crowder, R Jiang, & ME Dupre.** “Hearing Loss and Emotional Distress in U.S. Older Adults.” *American Auditory Society Annual Scientific and Technology Conference. Feb 26-28. Scottsdale, AZ.*
- 2025 **Kalina, C, W Ding, JS West, YJ Li, & R Jiang.** “Investigating Psychosocial Stress as a Potential Risk Factor for Hearing Loss.” *Duke University AI Health Data Science Poster Showcase. Dec 12. Durham, NC.*
- West, JS, H Xu, HW Francis, SL Smith, & ME Dupre.** “Hearing Loss Increases Hospitalizations among U.S. Older Adults with Heart Failure.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 12-15. Boston, MA.*
- West, JS, HR Crowder, R Jiang, & ME Dupre.** “Self-Reported Hearing Loss and Emotional Distress in Older Adults: Evidence from the Health and Retirement Study.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 12-15. Boston, MA.*
- West JS, MA Stockton, HW Francis, RD Stelmach, E Troutman Adams, JD Kraemer, K Saalim, MI Wallhagen, M Nyarko, N Boafu, NAV Owusu, E Gyamera, SL Smith, & L Nyblade.** “*Lancet* Commission on Hearing Loss: d/Deaf and Hard of Hearing Stigma Measurement Tools.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 12-15. Boston, MA.*
- Xu H, R Dhingra, BG Hammill, Z Li, SM Lynch, JS West, MD Green, LH Curtis, & ME Dupre.** “Predicting Trajectories of Hospitalizations in U.S. Older Adults with Newly Diagnosed Heart Failure.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 12-15. Boston, MA.*
- West JS, MA Stockton, HW Francis, RD Stelmach, E Troutman Adams, JD Kraemer, K Saalim, MI Wallhagen, M Nyarko, N Boafu, NAV Owusu, E Gyamera, SL Smith, & L Nyblade.** “*Lancet* Commission on Hearing Loss: Novel Tools to Measure Stigma.” *American Auditory Society Annual Scientific and Technology Conference. Feb 13-15. Scottsdale, AZ.*
- West JS, RD Stelmach, HW Francis, X Zhu, H Wu, MA Stockton, E Troutman Adams, JD Kraemer, & L Nyblade.** “New Tools to Measure Hearing Device-Related Stigma: Results from the *Lancet* Commission on Hearing Loss.” *Population Hearing Health Care Conference. Feb 11-12. Scottsdale, AZ.*
- 2024 **Lam A, YC Vierboom, & JS West.** “Global Prevalence of Self-Reported Hearing Loss and Hearing Aid Use by Gender.” *Promoting Healthier Connections with the World: Global Conference. May 20-21. Durham, NC.*
- Lam A, YC Vierboom, & JS West.** “Global Prevalence of Hearing Loss and Hearing Aid Use.” *American Auditory Society Annual Scientific and Technology Conference. Feb 13-15. Scottsdale, AZ.*
- 2023 **West JS, SL Smith, & ME Dupre.** “Using Electronic Health Records to Examine Racial Differences in Hearing Loss.” *Health Data Science Showcase. Dec 8. Durham, NC.*

- West JS, SL Smith, & ME Dupre.** “Racial Differences in Hearing Loss among Middle-Aged and Older Adults.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 8-12. Tampa, FL.*
- Wang N, H Xu, JS West, T Østbye, B Wu, Y Xian, & ME Dupre “Association Between Perceived Risk of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias and Cognitive Function Among U.S. Older Adults.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 8-12. Tampa, FL.*
- West JS & ME Dupre.** “Associations of Hearing Loss with Trajectories of Hospitalizations Among Older Adults Managing Multiple Chronic Conditions.” *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. April 12-15. New Orleans, LA.*
- West JS, JR Dubno, HW Francis, & SL Smith.** “Patient Demographics and Hearing Screening in Primary Care Clinics.” *American Auditory Society Annual Scientific and Technology Conference. March 2-4. Scottsdale, AZ.*
- 2022 **West JS, SL Smith, & ME Dupre.** “Hearing Loss and Its Consequences for Spousal Mental Health: Evidence from the Health and Retirement Study.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 2-6. Indianapolis, IN.*
- West JS & SM Lynch. “Hearing and Cognitively Impaired Life Expectancies in the U.S.” *REVES Network on Health Expectancy. Sep 21-23. Halifax, Canada.*
- West JS.** “Applied Medical Sociology” (Discussant). *Sociological Research Jamboree. Aug 2. Held virtually as an alternative to the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.*
- West JS.** “Social Relationships and Health Disparities” (Discussant). *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. April 6-9. Atlanta, GA.*
- 2021 **West JS & C Kamis.** “The Long-Term Impact of Childhood Disability on Mental Health in Adulthood.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 10-14. Virtual.*
- West JS & C Kamis.** “The Long-Term Impact of Childhood Disability on Mental Health in Adulthood.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Aug 6-10. Virtual.*
- Copeland M, C Kamis, & JS West. “To Make and Keep Friends: Physical Health in Adolescent Network Formation and Persistence.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Aug 6-10. Virtual.*
- Kamis C, A Stolte, JS West, S Fishman, T Brown, HR Farmer, & T Brown. “Overcrowding and COVID-19 Mortality Across U.S. Counties: Are Disparities Growing Over Time?” *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. May 5-8. Virtual.*
- Zang E, JS West, N Kim, & C Pao. “U.S. Regional Disparities in Physical Distancing: Evaluating Racial and Socioeconomic Divides During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. May 5-8. Virtual.*
- 2020 **West JS & SM Lynch.** “Hearing and Cognitively Impaired Life Expectancies in the U.S.” *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 4-7. Virtual.*

Kamis C & JS West. "Depression and Metabolic Syndrome in the Marital Dyad: Is Social Participation a Key Mediator?" *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Aug 8-11. Virtual.*

West JS, C Kamis, M Marsala, & R Wygle. "Early Adversity & Adult Outcomes: Unanswered Questions and Future Research" (Co-president, Research Working Group Roundtable, Section on Aging & the Life Course). *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Aug 8-11. Virtual.*

Copeland M, C Kamis, & JS West. "Health and Friendship: Physical Health Affects Adolescent Peer Network Structure." *International Network for Social Network Analysis Sunbelt Conference. Paris, France. Cancelled (COVID-19).*

West JS & SM Lynch. "Cognitive and Hearing Impairments in Older Adults: Evidence from the Health & Retirement Study." *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Cancelled (COVID-19).*

Kamis C & JS West. "Depression and Metabolic Syndrome in the Marital Dyad: Is Social Participation a Key Mediator?" *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Cancelled (COVID-19).*

Zang E, SM Lynch, & JS West. "Regional Differences in the Impact of Diabetes on Population Health in the United States." *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. Cancelled (COVID-19).*

2019 **West JS** & SM Lynch. "Cognitive and Hearing Impairments in Older Adults: Evidence from the Health & Retirement Study." *Gerontological Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting. Nov 13-17. Austin, TX.*

West JS. "Hearing Impairment and Mental Health Among Married Couples." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Aug 10-13. New York, NY.*

West JS & SM Lynch. "Regional, Racial, and Sociodemographic Variation in Life Expectancy with Hearing Impairment in the U.S." *REVES Network on Health Expectancy. May 29-31. Barcelona, Spain.*

West JS & SM Lynch. "Sociodemographic Variation in Life Expectancy with Hearing Loss in the U.S." *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. April 10-13. Austin, TX.*

West JS. "The Consequences of Hearing Impairment on Spousal Mental Health." *Population Association of America Annual Meeting. April 10-13. Austin, TX.*

2018 Read JG, SM Lynch, & **JS West.** "Disaggregating Diversity in the Non-Hispanic White Population: Evidence for Disability among U.S. Adults." *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Nov 10-14. San Diego, CA.*

West JS. "New Data and Methods" (Discussant, Section on Methodology). *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Aug 11-14. Philadelphia, PA.*

West JS. "The Consequences of Hearing Impairment on Spousal Mental Health." *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Aug 11-14. Philadelphia, PA.*

- Read JG, SM Lynch, & **JS West**. “Diversity in Disability among Non-Hispanic Whites: Evidence from the 2008-2016 American Community Survey.” *Population Association of America Annual Meeting*. April 26-28. Denver, CO.
- 2017 **West JS**. “Depression and Hearing Loss: Demographic Diversity among U.S. Adults.” *American Sociological Association*. Aug 12-15. Montreal, Canada.
- 2016 **West JS & KM Stankovic**. “Exploring Strategies for Telling Others About Hearing Loss.” *American Sociological Association Annual Meeting*. Aug 20-23. Seattle, WA.
- West JS & KM Stankovic**. “Exploring Strategies for Telling Others About Hearing Loss.” *Hearing Across the Lifespan Conference*. June 2-4. Lake Como, Italy.
- West JS & KM Stankovic**. “Exploring Strategies for Telling Others About Hearing Loss.” *Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting*. March 17-20. Boston, MA.
- 2014 **West JS, JCM Low, & KM Stankovic**. “Revealing Hearing Loss: A Survey-Based Study of How People Talk About Their Hearing Loss.” *American Auditory Society Annual Scientific and Technology Conference*. March 6-8. Scottsdale, AZ.
- 2013 **West JS**. “The Everyday Management of a Hard of Hearing Identity.” *American Auditory Society Annual Scientific and Technology Conference*. March 7-9. Scottsdale, AZ.

Teaching and Mentorship Experience

Teaching:

- 2022 **Faculty Team Contributor, Bass Connections Project Team, Duke University**
“Life After Stroke: A Sensory Health Initiative” (PI: Bailliard, A. & Hreha, K.)
- 2020 **Graduate Student Member, Bass Connections Project Team, Duke University**
“Impact of Face Covering on Patient Communication and Health Outcomes” (PI: HW Francis, JM Pavon, & KM Riska)
- 2019 **Co-Instructor, Data Expedition, Rhodes Information Initiative, Duke University**
Two-day course data analysis course for undergraduate students taught in conjunction with SOC 257: Sociology of Mental Health. Link here: <https://bit.ly/3gZgq9f>
- 2016-2021 **Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, Duke University.**
SOC 250: Immigration and Health
SOC 361: Social Determinants of U.S. Health Disparities

Direct Mentoring:

- 2026- Nayeong Ko, *Duke Kunshan University Undergraduate Student, Class of 2026*
- 2025- Claudia Kalina, *Duke University Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Master’s Student, Class of 2026*
- 2025- Qinyi Chen, *Duke Kunshan University Undergraduate Student, Class of 2026*
- 2025- May Gao, *Duke University Medical Student, Class of 2026*
- 2025-2025 Ashauna McClendon, *Building Academic Advancement Research Training Pathway to Otolaryngology and Communication Sciences (BAA-POCS) Scholar*
- 2024-2025 Hannah Crowder, *Duke University PGY-2 Resident*

2023-2024 Rebecca Zasloff, *Duke University Medical Student, Class of 2026*

Mentoring Training:

- 2024 **DEI Foundational Training Series, Duke University**
A six-part foundational training series developed by the Department of Population Health Sciences that includes training in racial injustice, culturally inclusive pedagogy, PRIDE languages and identities, understanding and addressing implicit bias, managing equitably, and learning to practice change.
- 2023-present **Member, Duke AHEAD, Duke University**
The Academy for Health Professions Education and Academic Development promotes excellence in the education of health professionals.
- 2023 **Entering Mentoring Curriculum, Center for the Improvement of Mentored Experiences in Research, Duke University**
A mentor education opportunity to learn how to more effectively advise and support trainees from a range of backgrounds.

Professional Activities

- 2025-present **Editorial Board Member, Demography**
- 2024-present **Editorial Board Member, Journal of Aging and Health**
- 2023 **Duke Health Faculty Endowment Dinner**
One of three faculty members representing the Department of Head and Neck Surgery & Communication Sciences for an evening of conversation regarding advancing healthy hearing. April 28. Durham, NC.
- 2021-2023 **Duke Geriatrics/Aging Center Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee**
- 2021 **Aging Center/Division of Geriatrics' Internal Grant Review, Duke University**
Invited to review and provide feedback on internal grant submissions by Duke University researchers prior to submission.
- 2019-2020 **Section Nominations Committee Student Member, Section on Medical Sociology, American Sociological Association**
- 2018-2019 **Graduate Student Forum Co-Chair, Department of Sociology, Duke University**
- 2017-2018 **Faculty Committee Representative, Graduate Student Forum, Department of Sociology, Duke University**
- 2016-2017 **Social Chair, Graduate Student Forum, Department of Sociology, Duke University**

Ad hoc Reviewer

BMC Geriatrics
Disability & Health Journal
Ear and Hearing
Health Affairs

Scholarly Societies

American Auditory Society
American Sociological Association
Gerontological Society of America
International Sensory Aging Research (SENSE) Network

International Journal of Audiology
International Journal of Population Studies
Journal of Aging & Health
Journal of the American Geriatrics Society
Journal of the American Heart Association
Journals of Gerontology: Series B
PLOS One
Population Research & Policy Review
Social Science & Medicine
Society and Mental Health

Population Association of America
REVES Network on Health Expectancy