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Academic Positions

University of Washington, Seattle

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| Director of the Center for Global Studies | 2021-Present |
| Associate Professor (Joint Appointment) | 2021-Present |
| Assistant Professor | 2015-2021 |
| Law, Societies, and Justice Program; and | |
| Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies | |
| Core Faculty | 2015-Present |
| Disability Studies Program | |
| Adjunct Professor | 2016-Present |
| School of Law | |

University of West Indies, Mona, Jamaica

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| Visiting Lecturer in Disability Studies | Summer, 2019 |
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University of California, San Diego

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| Instructor in Sociology | 2014-2015 |
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Education

University of California, San Diego

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| PhD in Sociology | 2014 |
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University of Massachusetts, Amherst

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| MA in Political Science | 2007 |
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Harvard University

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| MTS (Masters of Theological Studies) in Ethics | 2002 |
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Loyola University, New Orleans

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| BA in English, <i>cum laude</i> | 1998 |
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Book

Meyers, S. (2019) *Civilizing Disability Society: The UN Disability Convention socializing grassroots disabled persons organizations in Nicaragua*. Cambridge University Press, Disability Law & Policy Series.

UN Reports

Meyers, S. & M. McCloskey (2018). *Young Persons with Disabilities: Global Study on Ending Gender-based Violence and Realizing Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights*. New York: UN Population Fund. <https://www.unfpa.org/publications/young-persons-disabilities>

Meyers, S. & M. McCloskey (2021). *Violence and Bullying in Educational Settings: The experiences of young people and children with disabilities*. Paris: UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization. <https://unesdoc.unesco.org/ark:/48223/pf0000378061>

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Meyers, S. (2022). "History and Divisions in Nicaragua's Disability Rights Movement." *Current History*. V.121 (832): 63–68.
- Meyers, S. (2021). "Allies, Enemies, or Indifferent? The disability and older persons movements in Jamaica" *Research in Social Science and Disability: Alliances, Allies, and Disability*. 12
- Meyers, S. (2020). "Rethinking Citizenship, Self-Help, and Disability in Local Context: *Solidaridad* as disability citizenship in Nicaragua." *Disability Studies Quarterly*. 40(3).
- Niewohner, J., S. Pierson, and S. Meyers. (2019). "'Leave no one behind'? The exclusion of persons with disabilities by development NGOs." *Disability & Society*.
- Pineda, V.; S. Meyers; and J. P. Cruz. (2017). "The Inclusion Imperative: Forging an Inclusive New Urban Agenda." *Journal of Public Space*. 2(4): 1-20.
- Meyers, S. (2016). "NGO-ization and Human Rights Law: The CRPD's Civil Society Mandate." *Laws: Special Edition on Disability Human Rights Law*. 5(2).
- Meyers, S. (2014). "The Social Model under the Shadow of the Revolution: Ex-combatants negotiating disability identity in Nicaragua." *Qualitative Sociology*. 37(4): 403-424.
- Meyers, S. (2014). "Global Civil Society as Megaphone or Echo Chamber?: Formalizing voice in the international disability rights movement." *International Journal of Politics, Culture, and Society*. 27(4): 459-476.
- Meyers, S. and E. Lockwood. (2014). "A Tale of Two Civil Societies: Expectations regarding public resources and disabled persons organizations in Nicaragua and Uruguay." *Disability Studies Quarterly*. 34(4).
- Meyers, S. (2014). "Disabled persons associations at the crossroads of two organizational environments: Grassroots groups as part of an international movement and a local civil society." *Research in Social Science and Disability: Environmental Contexts and Disability*. 8: 3-31.* **
- * Notable Publication Award, American Sociological Association Disability and Society Section, (2015).
- **Outstanding Author Contribution Award, Emerald Publishing Group, (2015).
- Meyers, S., V. Karr, and V. Pineda. (2014). "Youth with Disabilities in Law and Civil Society: Exclusion and inclusion in public policy and NGO networks in Cambodia and Indonesia." *Disability and the Global South Journal*. 1(1): 5-28.
- Meyers, S. (2013) "Wounded Warriors or One of the Crowd?: Civil War, Citizenship, and Disability in Nicaragua." *Peace Studies Journal*. 6(4): 22-36.

Book Chapters

- Meyers, S. (2018). "Misrecognizing Persons with Disabilities in the Global South: The need for a comparative disability studies framework." In *Manifestos for the Future of Critical Disability Studies*. M. Kent and K. Ellis (Eds). Ashgate.
- Meyers, S. (2014) "The Past Dividing the Present: Nicaragua's Legacy of War Shaping Disability Rights Today." D. Mitchell and V. Karr (Ed.s) *Crisis, Conflict, and Disability: Ensuring Equality*. (Routledge). Pp. 195-201.
- Karr, V.L., Meyers, S. (2013). "Acceptance or acceptability: Youth inclusion in today's schools." In Azzopardi, A. (Ed.) *Youth: Responding to lives - An international handbook*. (Sense Publishers): 123-136.
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Book Reviews

- Meyers, S. (2021). Book Review: Zakiya Luna, 2020 *Reproductive Rights as Human Rights: Women of Color and the Fight for Reproductive Justice*. *American Journal of Sociology* V. 127:2, 673-675.
- Meyers, S. (2021). Book Review: Pettinicchio, 2019 *Politics of Empowerment: Disability Rights and the Cycle of American Policy Reform*. In *Mobilization: An International Journal*.

Non-Peer Reviewed Publications

- Pineda, V.; S. Meyers; J. Cruz; G. Komiyenko; and M. Martinez. (2016) "The Inclusion Imperative." In *Family Capital & the SDGs: Implementing the Sustainable Development Goals*. S. Roylance (Editor). World Congress of Families. Pp. 189-195.
- Karr, V.L., S. Meyers (2013). "Reactions to the Rights-Based Approach: Contextualizing the CRPD in Cambodia." *Journal of Disability and International Development*. 6(2): 22-29.
- Meyers, S. (2012). "The Road to Wigan Pier Runs Through Nicaragua." *Mobilizing Ideas*. (published 8/13/2012). (<http://mobilizingideas.wordpress.com/2012/08/13/the-road-to-wigan-pier-runs-through-nicaragua/>)
- Pineda, V., Karr, C. Ali, S. Meyers. (2011). *Ensuring rights in development: Implementing the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities with select case studies from the MENA region*. (Open Hands Initiative).
- Meyers, S. (2004) "Missed Opportunities: The Need for Landmine Survivors Rehabilitation in Rural Areas" *The Journal of Mine Action*. 8(2): 37-45.

Current Projects

Monograph/Book:

- Meyers, S & S. Huang. (under contract). *What is Global Disability Studies?* Los Angeles: University of California Press.

Edited Volume:

- Meyers, S; M McCloskey, and G Petri. Eds. (under contract). *Hierarchies of Disability Human Rights*. Philadelphia: Routledge Press, Interdisciplinary Disability Studies Book Series.

Professional Experience

UN Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (Paris, France)

2020

Co-author & Technical Advisor

- Co-authored UNESCO report on disability and school violence: *Every Child Should be Welcome: School Violence & Bullying involving Students with Disabilities*.
 - Comprehensive literature review, virtual focus groups with young persons with disabilities in five countries, virtual key informant interviews with experts on inclusive education, bullying, and so forth.

HelpAge International – Asia Pacific Regional Office (Chiang Mai, Thailand) 2019
Consultant

- SANA (Strengthening Ageing Networks in Asia) Phase II
 - Action-based research on OPA (Older People’s Association) model in Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia, and Vietnam.

UN Population Fund/International Solutions Group (New York, NY) 2016-2017
Co-author & Technical Advisor

- Co-authored UNFPA flagship report on youth with disabilities: *Young Persons with Disabilities: Global Study on Ending Gender-based Violence and Realizing Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights*
 - Collection and analysis of laws, policies, and practices affecting adolescents and youth with disabilities in seventeen countries.
 - Development of research instruments to gather good practices in the protection inclusive sexual and reproductive health and rights and prevention of gender-based violence of adolescents and youth with disabilities.

World Enabled/Victor Pineda Foundation (Berkeley, CA) 2009-2014
Senior Associate

- Project development focused on capacity building for civil society organizations engaging young persons with disabilities and policy and implementation consulting.
- Dubai “A City for All” disability strategy development and benchmarking analysis for the Socioeconomic Development Department of the General Secretariat of the Executive Council of Dubai (UAE funded).
- Youth Empowerment Study (Australian Agency for International Development funded) analysis of civil and social inclusion of youth with disabilities in Cambodia and Indonesia.

International Labour Organization (Geneva, Switzerland) 2011-2013
External Collaborator (Consultant), Disability Team, Employment Sector

- Writer and developer of a CD/internet-based disability training course on disability inclusion for ILO Skills staff.
- Case study writer and researcher on employment options for youth with disabilities.
- Grant writer and researcher for the ILO Global Business and Disability Network.

Disability Team Intern, Employment Sector (6 months) 2011

- Research and development of new tools and documents related to the ILO disability inclusion initiative and maintenance of online knowledge sharing platform.
- Wrote case studies, policy briefs, and news notes on issues concerning disability and vocational training, chronic disease, and the business case for hiring persons with disabilities for the ILO Global Business and Disability Network and ILO Disability Inclusion Initiative.

Polus Center for Social and Economic Development (Worcester, MA) 2003-2007
Director of International Programs

- Project manager of major grants from the US Agency for International Development Leahy War Victims Fund, US Department of State Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement, Organization of American States, InterAmerican Foundation, and private foundations supporting two prosthetic outreach centers, a wheelchair manufacturer, micro-credit, and leadership development for grassroots disability organizations.
- Direct supervisor of a team of project coordinators and interns in the US office and central liaison with international personnel, consultants, and partner organizations at project sites in Nicaragua, Honduras, Ethiopia, and Zambia.

International Programs Coordinator 2002-2003

- Grant proposal writer and researcher for community-based rehabilitation services for Nicaraguan and Honduran landmine survivors.

Japanese Exchange and Teaching (Nango-mura, Aomori-ken)
Assistant Language Teacher 1999-2000

- Taught or co-taught English courses on a rotating basis in two middle schools, four elementary schools, and a community center in rural Japan.

Boys Hope (New Orleans, LA)
Residential Counselor 1996-1999

- Fulltime, live-in tutor, supervisor, and primary caregiver of eight at-risk youth in an academically-oriented small group home.

Invited Talks

UCLA Disability Studies Program, Los Angeles. (March 4, 2020). Invited book talk. “Civilizing Disability Society.”

University of Massachusetts, Boston, School of Global Inclusion and Social Development. (December 12, 2019). Invited talk. “Civilizing Disability Society.”

University of Washington Disability Studies Symposium, Seattle. (May 1, 2016). Law, Discrimination & Combating Social Stigma Workshop. “The Politics of Care in Prison.”

University of Massachusetts, Boston, Building Inclusive Communities Conference (2015). “Inclusive development, social movements, and persistent inequalities in Ecuador.”

University of Dayton, The Social Practice of Human Rights Conference. (2013). Listening to Voices and Testimony Session. “Vertical Voices: Rationalizing Transnational Discourse.”

Young Scholars in the Study of Social Movements Annual Mini-Conference, University of Notre Dame (2012). “Changing Organizations: Disability Rights in Nicaragua.”

UC Human Rights Conference, Berkeley. (2010) “Between Events: Disability Associations and the CRPD in Nicaragua.”

UCSD Annual Human Rights Conference, La Jolla. (2010) “From Paradigms to Practices: The Right to Inclusive Education in Nicaragua.”

Awards and Fellowships

Global Innovations Fund, University of Washington, Seattle (2020)

Royalty Research Fund Fellowship, University of Washington, Seattle (2019)

Global Innovation Fund, University of Washington, Seattle (2018)

Harlan Hahn Research Award, Disability Studies Program, University of Washington, Seattle, (2016).

Notable Publication Award, American Sociological Association Disability and Society

Section, (2015).

Outstanding Author Contribution Award, Emerald Literati Network, Emerald Publishing Group, (2015).

Dissertation Completion Grant, Department of Sociology, UCSD, (2013).

Advanced Research Support Grant, Graduate Program Committee, UCSD, (2012).

Young Scholar in the Study of Social Movements, Center for the Study of Social Movements, University of Notre Dame, (2012).

University of California Human Rights Fellowship, UC, Berkeley Law School, (2010).

Summer Doctoral Institute in Institutions and Development Fellowship, Center for International Business Education and Research, George Washington University, (2010).

New Teaching Assistant of the Year: Making of the Modern World Writing Program, Eleanor Roosevelt College, UCSD, (2009).

Tinker Pre-Dissertation Research Travel Grant, Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies, UCSD, (2009 and 2010).