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EDUCATION

MBA, Financial Analytics, Tulane University Freeman School of Business	2019-22
MS in Clinical Research, Tulane University School of Medicine	2014-16
NIMH T32 Fellowship in Healthcare Decision Making, University of Rochester Medical Center	2010-13
Internship in Clinical Health Psychology, University of Rochester Medical Center	2009-10
PhD and MA, Clinical Psychology, Central Michigan University	2005-10
BS, Psychology, Michigan State University	2001-05

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Primary Appointment

Associate Professor of Psychology, tenured, Tulane University	2021-Present
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Secondary and Past Appointments

Director, Population Sciences & Disparities, Tulane Cancer Center	2024-Present
Co-Director, Population Science & Disparities, Louisiana Cancer Research Center	2023-Present
Full Member, Tulane Cancer Center/Louisiana Cancer Research Center	2023-Present
Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine (Hematology and Medical Oncology), Tulane University	2021-Present
Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Tulane University	2021-Present
Core Member, Tulane University Translational Science Institute	2021-Present
Managing Director of Palliative Care Research, University Medical Center	2018-Present
Contributing Member, Tulane Cancer Center/Louisiana Cancer Research Center	2013-23
Assistant Professor of Psychology, Tulane University	2016-21
Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine (Hematology and Medical Oncology), Tulane University	2015-21
Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Tulane University	2013-21
Visiting Scholar in Psychiatric Oncology and Behavioral Science, Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center, Harvard School of Medicine	2016
Research Assistant Professor of Psychology, Tulane University	2014-16
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, University of Rochester Medical Center	2013-16
Visiting Assistant Professor of Psychology, Tulane University	2013-14
Senior Instructor in Psychiatry and Oncology, University of Rochester Medical Center	2012-13
Instructor in Psychiatry, University of Rochester Medical Center	2010-12

LICENSURE

Louisiana, Psychologist #1475	2018-Present
New York, Psychologist #020148	2013-25

GRANT APPLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

Broad Pragmatic Studies Hoerger (PI) LOI Submitted 01/06/26
Vaccination Outreach Versus Multi-Layered Mitigation Support to Reduce the Risk of SARS-CoV-2 Infections among High-Risk Adults with Cancer
 Total Costs: \$5,692,800

Pilot Research Award Hoerger (PI) Submitted 12/10/25
 Ladies Leukemia League
Safety Practices And Respiratory Knowledge for Leukemia -- eHealth (SPARKLE)
 Total Costs: \$35,000

Discovery Boost Grant Hoerger (PI) Submitted 12/01/25
 American Cancer Society
Cancer Alley: Toward Community Health through Mitigation and Engagement on Needs and Trust (CATCHMENT)
 Total Costs: \$297,000

R03 Hoerger (PI) Submitted 10/16/25
 National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Establishing a Rapid Personality Assessment for Population Studies of Aging Processes in Older Adults
 Total Costs: \$153,000

R21 Baker (PI) Submitted 06/16/25
 National Institutes of Health (NIH)
ARTIC 2.0: Measure Revision and Psychometric Evaluation
 Total Costs: \$387,291
 Role: Co-I

ACTIVE GRANT SUPPORT

134579-RSG-20-058-01-PCSM-Supp Hoerger (PI) 01/01/24-08/31/26
 American Cancer Society, Research Scholar Grant
EMPOWER 3: Improving Palliative Care Health Literacy and Utilization – Supp (COVI-CAN 2 Study)
 Total Costs: \$50,000

134579-RSG-20-058-01-PCSM Hoerger (PI) 09/01/20-08/31/26
 American Cancer Society, Research Scholar Grant
EMPOWER 3: Improving Palliative Care Health Literacy and Utilization
 Total Costs: \$792,000

Artificial Intelligence Pilot Award Hoerger (PI) 06/01/25-05/31/26
 Tulane University, Institute for Data Science
Stakeholder-Centered Optimization of Predictive Epidemiology using Artificial Intelligence (SCOPE-AI)
 Total Costs: \$10,000

Translational Research Award Hoerger (PI) 06/01/24-05/31/26
 Louisiana Cancer Research Center
Reducing Health Disparities in Lung Cancer Screening
 Total Costs: \$50,000

PAST RESEARCH GRANTS

Research Support Grant Tulane University, Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program <i>Development and Evaluation of a Measure of Long Covid</i> Total Costs: \$7,000	Hoerger (PI)	07/01/24-06/30/25
Research Support Grant Tulane University, Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program Feasibility and Acceptability of a Multifaceted Intervention to Reduce Severe Outcomes of Covid-19 among Vulnerable People with Cancer: The COVI-CAN Study Total Costs: \$9,000	Hoerger (PI)	07/01/23-06/30/24
Healthy Aging Grant Michigan Health Endowment Fund <i>Michigan Interdisciplinary Palliative Care Training Network</i> Role: Consultant Total Costs: \$200,000	Gerhart (PI)	01/07/21-01/06/24
EASC-COVID-00265 Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, Engagement Award <i>Building Capacity to Support the Pandemic's Unsung Heroes: Frontline Essential Food Service Workers</i> Total Costs: \$200,000	Hoerger, Baker (Co-PIs)	09/01/21-02/28/23
IRG-16-182-28 American Cancer Society, Institutional Research Grant <i>Understanding and Enhancing Concurrent Palliative Care during Lung Cancer Treatment</i> Role: Consultant Total Costs: \$30,000	McLouth (Project PI)	01/01/20-11/30/22
COR Research Fellowship Tulane University <i>EMPOWER 3C: An Educational Intervention to Improve Understanding of Palliative Care Among Family Caregivers of Adults with Serious Cancer Diagnoses</i> Total Costs: \$10,000	Hoerger (PI)	06/01/21-05/31/22
Research Support Grant Tulane University, Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program <i>Helping Patients and Families Cope with Serious Illness: The Psychologically-Informed Palliative Care (PSYCH PAL) Study</i> Total Costs: \$8,000	Hoerger (PI)	07/01/20-06/30/21
LEQSF(2016-19)-RD-A-18 Louisiana Board of Regents (LA BOR), Research Competitiveness Subprogram (RCS) <i>EMPOWER 2.0: A Stakeholder-Informed Decision Intervention to Empower Patients with Metastatic Cancer</i> Total Costs: \$155,000	Hoerger (PI)	06/01/16-06/30/20
U54 MD007595	Echeverri, Hoerger (Project Co-PIs)	04/01/19-03/31/20

NIH, National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD)
Fostering Shared Decision Making about Prostate Cancer Screening among Clinicians and African American Men
 Total Costs: \$1,200,000

Research Support Grant Hoerger (PI) 07/01/19-06/30/20
 Tulane University, Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program
Supporting Quality of Life for the Seriously Ill: Palliative Care in New Orleans
 Total Costs: \$8,500

Research Support Grant Hoerger (PI) 07/01/18-06/30/19
 Tulane University, Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program
Health Literacy and Physical and Mental Health in Cancer Caregivers
 Total Costs: \$10,000

Tobacco-Free Living Pilot Grant Hoerger (PI) 03/01/18-02/28/19
 Louisiana Cancer Research Center
The Ready to Quit (RQ) Study: Leveraging Statewide Tobacco Data and Stakeholder Engagement to Inform Cessation Education in Outpatient Mental Healthcare
 Total Costs: \$63,000

Tobacco-Free Living Pilot Grant Robinson (PI), Hoerger (Co-PI) 03/01/18-02/28/19
 Louisiana Cancer Research Center
Smoking Cessation using an 'Augmented' QUITLINE Program in Newly-Diagnosed Cancer Patients
 Total Costs: \$67,000

R01 CA168387 Duberstein, Prigerson (Dual PIs) 01/23/13-12/31/18
 National Cancer Institute (NCI)
Impact of a Novel Cancer Communication Intervention on Caregiver Bereavement
 Role: Consultant
 Total Costs: \$2,567,000

REACHnet Pilot Project Grant Hoerger (PI) 06/01/17-06/30/18
 Louisiana Clinical and Translational Science (LA CaTS) Center
The Landscape of End-of-Life Cancer Care in the Deep South
 Total Costs: \$25,000

Research Support Grant Hoerger (PI) 05/17/17-06/30/18
 Tulane University, Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program
Examining Disparities and the Role of Comorbidities in the Quality of End-of-Life Care in Cancer
 Total Costs: \$10,000

R01 CA140419 Epstein, Kravitz (Dual PIs) 06/01/11-12/31/17
 National Cancer Institute (NCI)
RCT of Patient, Caregiver and Physician Communication Coaching in Advanced Cancer
 Role: Consultant
 Total Costs: \$2,706,000

Course Development Grant Hoerger (PI) 01/01/17-12/31/17
 Tulane University, Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program
Bridging the Social Sciences, Health, and Medicine: Development of a Transdisciplinary Course in Psycho-oncology

Total Costs: \$9,000

Visiting Scholar Grant Hoerger (PI) 03/09/16-12/31/16
Louisiana Clinical and Translational Science (LA CaTS) Center
Career Development in Palliative Cancer Care Research
Total Costs: \$5,000

Roadmap Scholars Grant Hoerger (PI) 07/01/14-06/30/16
Louisiana Clinical and Translational Science (LA CaTS) Center
Hope and Shared Decision Making in Advanced Cancer: A Health Disparities Perspective
Total Costs: \$190,000

Supervised Undergraduate Research Experience Hoerger (PI) 01/01/15-12/31/15
Louisiana Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR)
Impact of Emotion on Mental Health and Quality of Life in Cancer
Total Costs: \$4,000

CELT Summer Research Fund Perry (PI) 05/01/15-08/30/15
Tulane University, Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching
Personality and Mental Health in Prostate Cancer
Role: Mentor
Total Costs: \$1,000

Community-Based Research Grant Hoerger (PI) 01/01/14-06/30/15
Tulane University, Center for Public Service
Enhancing Cancer Care Through a Psychosocial Needs Assessment of Patient Stakeholders
Total Costs: \$4,000

Faculty Research Grant Hoerger (PI) 01/01/14-07/31/14
Tulane University, Newcomb College Institute
Supporting Psychosocial Cancer Care Through Student Engagement in Research
Total Costs: \$2,000

T32 MH018911 Caine (PI) 09/01/10-06/30/13
National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
NIMH Institutional National Research Award
Role: National Research Service Award (NRSA) Postdoctoral Fellow

Leonard F. Salzman Research Award Hoerger (PI) 06/01/11-05/31/13
URMC Department of Psychiatry
Affective Forecasting of Well-being in Cancer
Total Costs: \$17,000

Dissertation Support Grant Hoerger (PI) 11/01/09-10/31/10
CMU College of Graduate Studies
Development and Validation of the Delaying Gratification Inventory
Total Costs: \$1,000

G13 LM009372 Janosky (PI) 09/30/07-09/29/09
National Library of Medicine
Single-Subject Design in Biomedicine
Role: Graduate Assistant

Graduate Research Support Grant CMU College of Graduate Studies <i>Affective Forecasting, Decision Making, and Psychopathology</i> Total Costs: \$1,000	Hoerger (PI)	11/01/06-10/31/07
Senior Honors Thesis Grant MSU Honors College and College of Social Sciences <i>Affective Forecasting: Individual Differences and Bias Reduction</i> Total Costs: \$5,000	Hoerger (PI)	06/01/04-05/31/05

PUBLICATIONS

underline = graduate student, double underline = undergraduate student

Articles (n = 117)

Hoerger, M., Pyke, N., Zimmerman, D. E., Srikrishna, D., Garg, N., Mikles, B., Eastman, J., Hall, C. J., Peter, R. G., & Gerhart, J. I. (in press). Feasibility and acceptability of a multilayered COVID-19 mitigation intervention for adults with cancer. JAMA Network Open.

Peyser, T., Pyke, N., & **Hoerger, M.** (in press) Key changes in palliative care delivery and patient and family experiences in the five years since the COVID-19 pandemic onset: A systematic review. Journal of Palliative Medicine.

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- Goto, T., Yanaoka, K., Ozaki, Y., & **Hoerger, M.** (in press). Development and Validation of the Delaying Gratification Inventory in Japanese (DGI-J). *Japanese Psychological Research*.
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Member, 2016-20

Champion for Louisiana, 2017-18

American Society of Clinical Oncology

Member, 2015-20

Foundation for Personality and Social Psychology

Web Developer, 2013-18

Extramural Grant Reviewer

Louisiana Cancer Research Center, Pilot Grant Program, 2025-Present

American Cancer Society (ACS), Cancer Treatment, Palliative Care, and Survivorship (CTPS) Program, 2024-Present

American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Foundation, Conquer Cancer – Anna Braglia Endowed Young Investigator Award (YIA) in Cancer Supportive Care Program, 2024-Present

Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI), 9 review cycles, >\$100 million, 2014-Present

Israel Science Foundation (ISF), basic research program, 2023-24

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Neurological, Mental and Behavioral Health (NMBH) study section, 2022-23

National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Cancer Institute (NCI), Geographical Management of Cancer Health Disparities Program (GMap) Region 2, Regional Pilot Grant Program, 2 review cycles, 2016-19

Journal Editorial Board Member

JAMA Oncology, Distinguished Peer Reviewer, 2023-Present

Journal of Clinical Psychology in the Medical Setting, 2018-24

Health Psychology, 2014-22

Psychological Assessment, 2019-20

Reviewer

Aging and Mental Health

Analyses of Social Issues and Public Policy

Annals of Behavioral Medicine

Behavioral Medicine

BMC Cancer

Cancer Medicine

Clinical Psychological Science

Cognition and Emotion

Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Current Psychology

CyberPsychology, Behavior, & Social Networking

Emotion

European Journal of Cancer Care

European Journal of Social Psychology

Frontiers in Psychology

Frontiers in Public Health

Future Oncology

International Journal of Psychology

JAMA Network Open

JAMA Oncology

Journal of Applied Social Psychology

Journal of Behavioral and Experimental

Economics

Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology

Journal of Economic Psychology

Journal of Experimental Child Psychology

Journal of Experimental Education

Journal of Experimental Psychology: General

Journal of Pain and Symptom Management

Journal of Palliative Medicine

Journal of Personality Assessment

Journal of Physical Edu and Sport Management

Journal of Positive Psychology

Journal of Psychosocial Oncology

Journal of Psychosocial Oncology Research and Practice

Journal of Research in Personality

Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology

Lancet Psychiatry

Mental Health, Religion & Culture

Mindfulness

Motivation and Emotion
 Neuropsychiatric Disease and Treatment
 Palliative & Supportive Care
 Palliative Medicine
 Pediatrics
 Personality and Individual Differences
 Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin
 PLOS ONE
 Psycho-Oncology

Psychological Reports
 Psychology and Aging
 Quality of Life Research
 Schizophrenia Research
 Social and Personality Psychology Compass
 Social Cognition
 Supportive Care in Cancer
 The Oncologist
 Translational Behavioral Medicine

MENTORSHIP AND SUPERVISION

Trainees at Tulane University unless otherwise noted

Research Mentorship

Kate Nguyen, 2025-Present; Natalie Anderson, 2024-Present; Brooke Mikles, 2024-Present; Nicole Pyke, 2024-Present; Ishan Mehrotra, 2024-25; Carly Hall, 2024-Present; Finley Livingston, 2024-Present; Allison Kramer, 2024-Present; Greer Vermilye, 2024; Nicole Garg, 2023-25; Birney Shirard, 2023-25; Isa Barham, 2024; Rachel Appelbaum, 2023-24; Taylor Alcorn, 2022-24; Tristen Peyser, 2021-Present; Kenneth Xu, 2021-24; Dulce Rivera, 2021-24; Navya Murugesan, 2021-24; Brenna Mossman, 2020-24; Sanjana Easwar, 2018-23; Seowoo Kim, 2018-Present; James Moran, 2020-23; Addison Dunn, 2020-23; Dana Zapolin, 2021-23; Joseph Hirsch, 2021-22; Sarah Alonzi, Loyola University, 2019-21; Lily Freestone, 2019-21; Hallie Voss, 2018-21; Laura Perry, 2014-21; Samir Sureshbabu, 2021; James Rogers, 2017-20; Wasef Atiya, 2017-19; Adina Kazan, 2017-19; Hannah Mercorella, 2018-19; Brittany Cullen Korotkin, 2017-19; Joel Epling, 2017-18; Matthew Moore, 2018; Jocelyn Simons, 2018; Leah Walsh, 2016-18; Elise Goff, 2017; Xunming Sun, 2017; Brianna Truffa, 2016-17; Ashley Beggin, 2016-17; Danielle Grosswald, 2016; Grant Reggio, 2016; Brooke Duarte, 2015-16; Tessa Barkan, 2014-16; Catherine Rochefort, 2014-15; Katie Seibert, 2014-15; Sara Voorhees, 2014-15; Erica Golden, 2014; Elyse Isley, 2014; Courtney Twichell, 2014; Chynna Allen, 2013-14; Joe Belford, Rochester Institute of Technology, 2012-13; Samantha Saks, University of Rochester, 2011-13; John Dickson, University of Rochester, 2010-11

Dissertation

Tristen Peyser, ongoing (chair); Ines Elena Martin, ongoing; Zachary Airington, 2025; Brenna Mossman, 2024 (chair); James Moran, 2022; Laura Perry, 2021 (chair); Andrew Corwin, California Institute of Integral Studies, 2016

Preliminary Exam

Tristen Peyser, 2024 (chair); Ines Elena Martin, 2024; Brenna Mossman, 2023 (chair); Zachary Airington, 2021; James Moran, 2020; Laura Perry, 2019 (chair)

Master's Theses

Kenneth Xu, 2025; Tristen Peyser, 2024 (chair); Brenna Mossman, 2022 (chair); Kyra Ness-Lanckriet, 2020; Zachary Airington, 2019; Laura Perry, 2018 (chair); Leah Walsh, 2018 (chair); Emma Lewis, 2017; Chinwendu Duru, 2017; Jessie Gomez, 2016; Catherine Rochefort, 2015 (chair)

Honors Theses

Sarah Alonzi, Loyola University, 2020; Wasef Atiya, 2020; James Rogers, 2020 (chair); Laura Perry, 2016 (chair); Marcy Cohen, 2015; Sarah Joseph, 2015

Undergraduate Student Advising

15-20 students/semester presently

Teaching Supervision

Brenna Mossman, 2024; Jenna Winston, 2018; Ryan Brennan, 2018; Xzania White, 2014-15, 2017; Max Anderson, 2016; Heather Henderson, 2013-15; Michael Brachfeld, 2014; Claire Noonan, 2014; Cara Zajac, 2014; Catherine Drahota, 2014; Tara Van Bommel, 2014; Emiliya Adelson, 2014; Jenny Rious, 2013-14; Jim Collada, Central Michigan University, 2009; Joe McLaughlan, Central Michigan University, 2007

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Graduate Coursework

Research Methods in Behavioral Health, PSYC 6100, Tulane University, 8 semesters	2018-Present
Health Psychology, PSYC 6800, Tulane University, 1 semester	2014
Personality Psychology, PSYC 7010, Tulane University, 1 semester	2013

Instructor of Undergraduate Coursework

Experimental Psychology and Lab, PSYC 3130, Tulane University, 7 semesters	2013-18
Research Methods in Psychology, PSY 285, Central Michigan University, 2 semesters	2008-09
Introduction to Psychology Statistics, PSY 211, Central Michigan University, 3 semesters	2007-09
Developmental Psychology, PSY 220, Central Michigan University, 1 semester	2007

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Abnormal Psychology, PSY 280, Michigan State University, 2 semesters	2004-05
Personality Psychology, PSY 236, Michigan State University, 1 semester	2004

RECENT HONORS AND AWARDS

Highest impact factor 1st authored publication, Population Sciences and Disparities Program, Louisiana Cancer Research Center (n=78 faculty), 2024-25
International Award for Clean Air Advocacy, Cleaner Air Collective of Australia, 2024
Conference Abstract Award Winner (mentee's presentation), Society of Behavioral Medicine, 2020