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Name: Yusuf Ransome, DrPH, MPH.

School: Yale University School of Public Health

Rank: Associate Professor in Social and Behavioral Sciences

Education:

1999-2003 BS, Business Management and Finance, Brooklyn College of The City University of New York (CUNY), New York, NY.
2007-2009 MPH, Health Behavior & Health Education, University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, MI.
2009-2014 DrPH, Sociomedical Sciences, Joseph L Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, New York, NY.
2014-2017 Postdoctoral, Social Epidemiology, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Boston MA.

Career/Academic Appointments:

2010-2011 American Evaluation Association Fellow. Graduate Education Diversity Internship (GEDI) in Evaluation, Washington, DC
2011-2015 Epidemiologist (Internship), New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, NY
2012, Summer Academic Visitor in Sexual Health Research, Center for Sexual Health and HIV Research, University College, London, UK
2013, Oct Guest Lecturer, Research Methods Seminar 1 (HNSC 7930), Brooklyn College of The City University of New York (CUNY), New York, NY
2015, Spring Teaching Assistant, Reducing Socioeconomic and Racial/Ethnic Inequalities in Health: Concepts, Methods, Effective Strategies (SBS14-01), Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Harvard University, Boston, MA
2017-2022 Assistant Professor of Public Health, Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, School of Public Health, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT
2022-Present Associate Professor of Public Health, Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, School of Public Health, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT

Administrative Positions:

2012-2016 Research Associate, School of Public Health at Hunter College, The City University of New York (CUNY), New York, NY
2014-Present Research Affiliate, Spatial Epidemiology Lab at Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health, New York, NY
2016-Present Research Affiliate, Institute for Implementation Science in Population Health, The City University of New York (CUNY), New York, NY
2024-Present Institute of Human Development and Social Change Research Affiliate, New York University, New York, NY

Professional Honors & Recognition:

2024 Public Voices Fellowship with Yale and The OpEd Project
2023 Office of Health Equity Research (OHER) Award, Yale School of Medicine
2022 Health Equity Research Prize, Yale School of Public Health
2021 Best reviewers of the year 2020, American Journal of Epidemiology
2016-2019 Clinical and Community-based HIV/AIDS Training (CCRT) Fellowship
Brown University Institute for Community Health Promotion, Providence, RI
2016-2017 HIV Prevention Trials Network (HPTN) Domestic Scholar Fellowship, Cohort 7
Family Health International (FHI) 360, Durham, NC
2014-2016 Alonzo Smythe Yerby Postdoctoral Fellowship, Social and Behavioral Sciences,
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Boston, MA
2011-2014 Behavioral Sciences Training (BST) in Drug Abuse Research Dissertation Fellowship,
National Development and Research Institutes (NDRI), New York, NY

Grant History:

Current Grants

Agency: NIH/NIMH/NIAID

I.D.# R01 MH135807

Title: “Leveraging Extensive Social Determinants Data and Spatial Data Science to Reduce HIV Incidence across the United States Ending the HIV Epidemic Counties.”

M.P.I.: Yusuf Ransome DrPH

Percent effort: (27%)

Total costs for project: \$ 3,099,682

Project period: 08/2024-07/2028

Agency: NIH/NIMHD

I.D.# R01 MD018502

Title: “The impact of individual- and neighborhood-level social connectedness on mental health in Black adults.”

P.I.: Yusuf Ransome DrPH

Percent effort: (30%)

Total costs for project: \$ 2,499,831

Project period: 07/2023-02/2027

Agency: NIH/NIMHD

I.D.# R01 MD019029

Title: “Assessing intersectional, multilevel, and multidimensional structural racism for English-and Spanish-speaking populations in the US”

P.I.: Ester Villalonga-Olives, PhD

Role: Co-Investigator

Percent effort: (15%)

Total Award Amount: \$228,726

Project period: 12/2023-11/2027

Past Grants

Agency: John Templeton Foundation

I.D.# 62646

Title: “The decline of religious institutions in U.S. neighborhoods and the impacts on population health: New empirical and theoretical approaches”

P.I.: Yusuf Ransome DrPH

Percent effort: (40%)

Total costs for project: \$234,732

Project period: 02/2022-06/2024

Agency: Hecht Global Health Faculty Network Award/Yale Institute for Global Health

I.D.# Hecht Award

Title: “Yale-Ghana-Cocoa360 Health Services Research”

P.I.: Yusuf Ransome, DrPH

Percent effort: (none)

Total costs for project: \$50,000

Project period: 06/2020-05/2023

Agency: NIH/NIMH

I.D.# K01 MH111374

Title: “Social capital and HIV diagnosis in the United States”

P.I.: Yusuf Ransome, DrPH

Percent effort: (75%)

Total costs for project period: \$779,034

Project period: 4/2017-3/2023

Agency: NIH/NIMH/Yale Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS (CIRA)

I.D.# P30MH062294

Title: “Developing social capital interventions to improve transition across the HIV care continuum: A demonstration project in New Haven, CT”

P.I.: Yusuf Ransome, DrPH

Total costs for project: \$25,000

Project period: 09/2019-02/2023

Invited Speaking Engagements, Presentations, Symposia & Workshops Not Affiliated With Yale:

International/National

2025: Unite for Sight Global Health & Innovation Conference, North Haven, Connecticut (Invited panelist). “Global Health and Spirituality.”

2025: Charles Drew University of Medicine & Science, Los Angeles, California. “Development and Testing of Spiritual Social Connectedness and its Association with Psychological Distress.”

2025: American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting, Detroit, Michigan “Churches are Closing Across the U.S: Implications for Ending the HIV Epidemic.”

2025: New York University Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (Invited panelist). “No Learner Left Behind: Ensuring Equity and Access in the Age of Acceleration.”

- 2024: The International Society for Social Capital (ISSC). Kyoto University, Japan (Invited lecture). “Psychometric Properties of Spiritual Social Connectedness: Implications for Mental Health.”
- 2023: Boston While Black, Boston, MA, USA (Invited Panelist at Symposia). “Implications of Social Capital and Spiritual Social connectedness for the Health of Black People.”
- 2023: Columbia University Population Research Center, New York, NY, USA (Invited lecture). “The Decline of Religious Institutions in U.S. Neighborhoods and the Implications for Health.”
- 2023: The University of Texas at Austin Institute for Urban Policy Research & Analysis, Austin, TX, USA (Invited Talk). “Spiritual Social Connectedness and the Prosperity of Black Communities Post the Pandemic: Insights and Action Steps to Reduce Inequalities.”
- 2023: Chelsea Chamber of Commerce and North Suffolk Community Services, Chelsea, MA, USA (Invited talk). “Wellness in the Workplace.”
- 2022: Public Health America Broadcast (Invited panelist for the APHA Feature Session). Mercy College, The Bronx, USA. “The role of religions and faith-based institutions in public health.”
- 2021: American Public Health Association Annual Meeting (Invited panelist for the APHA Feature Session). American Public Health Association, USA. “Three paths for the future of research on social capital in public health.”
- 2021: The HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies (Invited talk). New York State Psychiatric Institute and Columbia University, USA “Social cohesion and social capital: Their role in HIV prevention in the United States.”
- 2021: Center for Drug Use and HIV Research (Invited talk). New York University School of Global Public Health, USA “Social cohesion and social capital: Their role in HIV prevention in the United States.”
- 2021: St. Thomas More Catholic Chapel & Center at Yale University (Invited talk, Thomas E. Golder Jr Fellowship in Faith and Health Lecture). “The role of gentrification in shaping the religious landscape of American communities: Implications for health, social, and economic futures of disenfranchised populations.”
- 2016: The 21st International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2016), Durban, South Africa. (Poster Presentation). “Research on social capital and HIV outcomes in the United States: Results, challenges, and future directions.”
- 2016: The Department of Pharmaceutical Biosciences Seminar Series (Invited talk). Uppsala University, Sweden. “Race, alcohol use disorders, and health in the United States.”

Professional Service and Membership

2019-2021: American Evaluation Association

2021-Present: American Public Health Association

2024-Present: International Society of Epidemiology, Awards Committee Leader

Peer Review Groups/Grant Study Sections:

2024: National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA). Accelerating the Pace of Drug Abuse Research Using Existing Data RFAs (RFA-DA-22-037 and RFA-DA-24-037).

2023: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): DP23-001 Social Determinants of Health to Promote Health Equity and Reduce Health Disparities in Chronic Diseases

2022: Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS (CIRA) at Yale University

2020: Research Associate Committee Grant Review program at Yale University

Journal Service:

Professional Service for Professional Organizations:

2020-present: American Journal of Epidemiology, reviewer

2019-present: Addictive Behaviors, reviewer
 2019-present: Journal of Medical Internet Research, reviewer
 2018-present: Journal of Community Psychology, reviewer
 2018-present: Perspectives of Sexual Behavior, reviewer
 2018-present: Archives of Sexual Behavior, reviewer
 2017-present: Journal of the International AIDS Society, reviewer
 2017-present: AIDS & Behavior, reviewer
 2016-present: Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes, reviewer
 2016-present: PLOS One, reviewer
 2015-present: Social Science & Medicine, reviewer

Yale University Service:

2024-present Data Science Data Equity (DSDE) committee
 2023-present Trumbull Faculty Fellow
 2023-present Data-Intensive Social Science Center (DISSC) committee
 2022-2023: Diversity Equity Inclusion and Belonging (DEIB) committee
 2017-2021: Diversity Equity Inclusion (DEI) committee
 2020-present: Faculty Search Committee
 2019-2022: Research Associate Committee (RAC)
 2018-present: Research Education Institute for Diverse Scholars (REIDS) program mentor

Public Service / Media Presence:

Public Service:

Media Presence:

2025 Featured in, “In Don’t Diss-Connection, Filmmaking Meets Public Health.” Arts Council, Greater New Haven. April 17, 2025
 2024 Quoted in, “SF is losing a generation of Black men to overdoses. It’s worse here than anywhere.” The San Francisco Standard. December 20, 2024
 2024 Featured Expert in, “Health Headlines: Why Social Connectedness is Important for Our Health.” *News8 WTNH*: June 24, 2024
 2022 Featured Expert and Panelist in, “The Impact of Churches Closing in the Black Community.” *KBLA 1580 AM Talk Radio/ Areva Martin Speaking Out Loud*: May 7, 2022
 2021 Featured Expert and Consultant quoted in, “What’s Behind the Growth in Alcohol Consumption.” *The New York Times*: April 19, 2021
 2021 Press Release from the American Journal of Preventive Health. Association of Poor Mental Health Days with COVID-19 Infection Rates in the U.S. November 2, 2021
 2021 Featured Expert and Consultant quoted in, “Psychiatrists are Uncovering Connections Between Viruses and Mental Health. They’re Surprising.” *Vox News*. December 1, 2021

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Peer-Reviewed Original Research

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4. Cerda M, **Ransome Y**, Keyes K, Koenen KC, Tracy M, Tardiff KJ, Vlahov D, Galea S. Prescription opioids mortality trends in New York City, 1990-2006: Examining the emergence of an epidemic. *Drug & Alcohol Dependence*. 2013. 132(1-2):53-62. PMID:23357743; PMCID:PMC3748247.
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8. **Ransome Y**, Kawachi I, Braunstein S, Nash D. Structural inequalities drive late HIV diagnosis: The role of income inequality, racial composition, socioeconomic deprivation, and HIV testing accessibility. *Health & Place*. 2016. 42:148-158. PMID:27770671; PMCID:PMC5584790.
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