

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

NAME	POSITION TITLE	INSTITUTION
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EDUCATION/TRAINING

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE	YEAR	FIELD OF STUDY
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA	Ph.D.	In-Progress	Social Work
University of Chicago, Chicago, IL	M.A.	2015	Social Work
California State University, San Bernardino, CA	B.A.	2013	Psychology
University of California, Santa Barbara, CA	B.A.	2010	Business Economics

Professional and Research Interests: Etiology and treatment of substance use disorders, mental health, and chronic pain conditions; Behavioral health tech; Artificial intelligence for social good; Mindfulness-based interventions; Developmental and affective science; Military personnel and veterans

Professional Experience:

08/21 – Present	NIH Predoctoral Fellow (F31), University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
08/19 – Present	Doctoral Research Assistant, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
02/17 – 7/19	Social Worker, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA
08/15 – 02/17	Fellow in Addiction Research and Treatment, VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System, Pittsburgh, PA
07/14 – 06/15	Behavioral Health Clinician, Hinsdale Family Medicine Center, Hinsdale, IL
11/13 – 06/14	Clinical Research Assistant, University of Chicago Medical Center, Chicago, IL
08/13 – 06/14	Youth Development Mentor, YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago, Chicago, IL
04/11 – 06/14	Patient Advocate, Hemet Valley Recovery Center, Hemet, CA

Honors and Other Activities:

Best Abstract Award, Early Career Addiction Showcase, University of Southern California

Student Leader, USC Center for AI in Society (2020-2022)

Travel Award, Harvard Center for Research on Computation and Society Member, Doctoral Student Committee

Provost Fellowship, University of Southern California

Conference Travel Award, Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse Rosenson Scholarship, University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration

Publications:

- Saba SK**, Davis JP, Lee DS, Castro CA, Pedersen ER. (2022). Moral injury event exposure patterns and behavioral health outcomes among American veterans: A latent class analysis approach. *Journal of Anxiety Disorders*. (Accepted)
- Barr N, **Saba SK**, Atuel H, Castro CA. Towards a dual process model of moral injury and traumatic stress. *Frontiers in Psychiatry*. (Accepted)
- Davis JP, Prindle J, **Saba SK**, DiGuseppi GT, Hummer J, Lee DS ... & Pedersen ER (2022). What's sleep got to do with it? Longitudinal associations between insomnia, PTSD, and alcohol use among US veterans. *Addictive behaviors*, 132, 107358.
- Bouskill KE, Fitzke RE, **Saba SK**, Ring C, Davis JP, Lee DS, & Pedersen ER. (2022). Stress and Coping among Post-9/11 Veterans During COVID-19: A Qualitative Exploration. *Journal of Veterans Studies*, 8(1).
- DiNardo MM, Greco C, Phares AD, Beyer NM, Youk AO, Obrosky DS, ... & **Saba SK**, Suss S, Siminerio L. (2022). Effects of an integrated mindfulness intervention for veterans with diabetes distress: a randomized controlled trial. *BMJ Open Diabetes Research and Care*, 10(2), e002631.
- Davis JP, Prindle J, **Saba S**, Tran D, Lee DS, Sedano A., ... & Pedersen ER. (2022). Changes in perceived stress during the COVID-19 pandemic among American veterans. *Stress and Health*. (Accepted)
- Davis JP, Prindle J, **Saba S**, Lee D, Leightley D, Tran D, Sedano A, Fitzke R, Castro CC, & Pedersen ER (2022). Childhood adversity, combat experiences, and military sexual trauma: a test and extension of the stress sensitization hypothesis. *Psychological Medicine* (Accepted)
- Davis JP, Rao P, Dilkina B, Prindle J, Eddie D, Christie NC, **Saba SK** ... & Dennis M. (2022). Identifying individual and environmental predictors of opioid and psychostimulant use among adolescents and young adults following outpatient treatment. *Drug and alcohol dependence*, 109359.
- Saba SK**, Davis JP, Prindle JJ, Castro CA, Pedersen ER. (2021). Associations between symptoms of posttraumatic stress disorder, pain, and alcohol use disorder among veterans. *Addictive Behaviors*, 122, 107031.
- Pedersen ER, Davis JP, Prindle J, Fitzke R, Tran DD, **Saba S**. (2021). Mental health symptoms among American veterans during the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Psychiatry research*, 114292.
- Davis JP, Lee DS, **Saba S**, Fitzke RE, Ring C, Castro CC, Pedersen ER. (2021). Applying polyvictimization theory to veterans: Associations with substance use and mental health. *Psychology of addictive behaviors*.
- Davis JP, Prindle J, Castro CA, **Saba S**, Fitzke RE, Pedersen ER. (2021). Changes in alcohol use during the COVID-19 pandemic among American veterans. *Addictive behaviors*, 122, 107052.
- Herrenkohl TI, Fedina L, Hong SH, Lee JO, **Saba S**. (2021). Associations between prospective and retrospective measures of child abuse and self-reported adult health at midlife. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 120, 105203.
- Pedersen ER, Davis JP, Fitzke RE, Lee DS, **Saba S**. (2021). American Veterans in the Era of COVID-19: Reactions to the Pandemic, Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, and Substance Use Behaviors. *International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction*, 1-16.
- Davis JP, Christie NC, Lee D, **Saba S**, Ring C, Boyle S, ... LaBrie J. (2021). Temporal, sex-specific, social media-based alcohol influences during the transition to college. *Substance Use & Misuse*, 56(8), 1208-1215.
- Davis JP, Eddie D, Prindle J, Dworkin ER, Christie NC, **Saba SK**, DiGuseppi GT, Clapp JD, Kelly JF. (2021). Sex differences in factors predicting post-treatment opioid use. *Addiction*.
- Rodriguez, KL., Hedayati, DO., Broyles, LM., Wieland, ME., Mitchell, MA., Conley, JW., **Saba, SK.**, Gordon, AJ. (2018). Homeless and marginally housed Veteran perspectives on participating in a photo-elicitation research study. *Patient Experience Journal*, 5(1), 115-125.

- Jones, AL., Thomas, R., Hedayati, DO., **Saba, SK.**, Conley, J., Gordon, AJ. (2018). Patient predictors and utilization of health services within a medical home for homeless persons. *Substance abuse*, 1-7.
- DiNardo, M., **Saba, S.**, Greco, CM., Broyles, L., Terhorst, L., Chasens, ER., ... & Cohen, S. (2017). A Mindful Approach to Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support for Veterans. *The Diabetes Educator*, 43(6), 608-620.
- Sestito, SF., Rodriguez, KL., **Saba, SK.**, Conley, JW., Mitchell, MA., Gordon, AJ. (2017). Homeless Veterans' experiences with substance use, recovery, and treatment through photo elicitation. *Substance Abuse*, 38(4), 422- 431.
- Narayanan AK, Harding, JH., **Saba, S.**, Conley, J., Gordon, AJ. (2017). Left, right, and meeting in the middle: Addressing addiction is something we can all agree about. *Substance Abuse*. 37(4), 495-497.
- Gordon, AJ., **Saba, SK.** (2016). Confronting the opioid epidemic through publication, promotion, and dissemination of evidence-based addiction scholarship. *Substance Abuse*. 37(3), 379-380.

Conference Presentations:

- Saba SK**, Davis JP, Christie NC, Pedersen ER. (April 2022). Pain trajectories and drinking outcomes during COVID-19 among veterans. Symposium presentation and chair. Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction conference. Portland, OR.
- Saba SK**, Lee JO, Rousson A, Herrenkohl TI. (June 2021). Does partner warmth moderate the relationship between childhood sexual abuse and somatic symptoms in adulthood. Symposium presentation. Society for Prevention Research conference. Online.
- Saba, SK.** (March 2020). Gender differences in predicting return to opioid use following treatment discharge. Poster presentation, Harvard Center for Research on Computation and Society Rising Stars Workshop. Cambridge, MA.
- Saba, SK.** (Oct 2017). Mindfulness training for stress management and addiction recovery in recently homeless veterans. Oral presentation, The 9th Annual McGinley-Rice Symposium on Social Justice for Vulnerable Populations: The Face of the Person With An Addiction. Duquesne University School of Nursing. Pittsburgh, PA.
- Saba, SK.**, Jones AL, Broyles LM, Gordon AJ. (Nov 2016). Retention in a primary care clinic for homeless veterans with substance use disorders. Poster presentation, 2016 Annual Meeting of the Association of Medical Education and Research on Substance Abuse (AMERSA). Washington, DC.
- Sestito, SF., Rodriguez, KL., **Saba, SK.**, Conley, J., Mitchell, M., Gordon, AJ. (Nov 2016). Addiction in pictures: homeless perspectives of addiction through photo-elicitation. Oral presentation, 2016 Annual Meeting of the Association of Medical Education and Research on Substance Abuse (AMERSA). Washington, DC.
- Narayanan, AK., Harding, JH., **Saba, S.**, Conley, J., Gordon, AJ. (Nov 2016). Comparing and contrasting US national party platforms: are the two parties more aligned than different regarding official addiction related Advocacy. Poster presentation, 2016 Annual Meeting of the Association of Medical Education and Research on Substance Abuse (AMERSA). Washington, DC.

Professional Memberships/Certifications:

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LSW), California Society for Social Work and Research (Member)
- APA Division of Addiction Psychology (Member)
- International Association for the Study of Pain (Member)