



Center for Social  
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BROWN SCHOOL AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

# News

## Sherraden honored as ‘Social Work Pioneer’



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Michael Sherraden, the George Warren Brown Distinguished University Professor at Washington University in St. Louis and founding director of the Center for Social Development, has been named a Social Work Pioneer. [Read more.](#)



## Recent Publications

### [Environmental Justice and Social Work: A Study Across Practice Settings in Three U.S. States](#)

Mason, Coye, Rao, Krings, & Santucci. *Sustainability*

### [Building Social Work Capacity in Ukraine in Times of War: The Role of Global Social Work Engagement](#)

Gusak, Burlaka, Huseynli, Sousa, McNitt, & Martin. *International Social Work*

### [Meeting the Grand Challenge to Create Social Responses to a Changing Environment](#)

Minnick, Rao, Smith, Krings, & Teixeira. *Grand Challenges for Social Work*

### [Eliminate Racism, Reduce Extreme Economic Inequality, and Build Financial Capabilities and Assets for All; Universal Child Development Accounts to Develop All Children and Reduce Racial Wealth Inequality](#)

Huang, Shanks, Teasley, Spencer, & Sherraden. *Grand Challenges for Social Work*

[Meeting the Grand Challenge to Build Financial Capability and Assets for All; Social Workers: A Ready Workforce for Building Financial Capability in Underserved Households](#) M.S. Sherraden, Huang, & Johnson. *Grand Challenges for Social Work*

[Meeting the Grand Challenge to Build Financial Capability and Assets for All; Strengthen the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#) Birkenmaier & Huang. *Grand Challenges for Social Work*

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## **CSD in the Media**

[Savings program pledges at least \\$13,000 for some students — if they graduate](#)

*Washington Post*

[Uşaqlıqdan aktivlərin yaradılması üçün uşaq inkişaf fondları](#) (Child Development Accounts to build assets from childhood)

*Əkinçi*

[Wash U researchers say child savings accounts can be used to deliver reparations](#)

*St. Louis Public Radio*

[More media](#)



# Upcoming Events

## CSD Events

### [Fall 2024 Seminar Series](#)

A Biweekly Brown Bag Seminar Series

Social Innovation and Natural-Resource Revenue: Kazakhstan's National Fund for Children ([coming soon](#))

October 16, 2024, 12–1 PM (central U.S.)

### [Research and Social Policy Impacts at the Brown School](#)

An address by Michael Sherraden marking the Brown School Centennial  
November 11, 2024, 12–1 PM (central U.S.)

A conversation with Jason Fitchner ([coming soon](#))

An event featuring Dr. Jason Fitchner, a renowned expert on Social Security, federal tax and budget policy, retirement security, and policy proposals to increase saving and investment.

December 3, 2024, 4–5 PM (central U.S.)





## **CSD Notables**

### **Congratulations**

We congratulate [Lauren Graham](#), director of CSD's sister, the Centre for Social Development in Africa, on her inauguration as professor at the University of Johannesburg. In an October 92, 2024, inauguration ceremony to be streamed on the university's [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#), Dr. Graham will deliver an address entitled "Unlocking Human Potential Through Social and economic inclusion."

Congratulations to Faculty Director [Lisa Reyes Mason](#), who has been promoted to the rank of professor in the University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work.

### **Appearances and Transitions**

Faculty Director [Darrell Hudson](#) has joined the University of Michigan School of Public Health, where he will serve as chair and professor of the [Department of Health Behavior and Health Education](#).

This fall, CSD welcomes two visiting scholars: Faculty Director [Shu Fang](#), professor, Central University of Finance and Economics, Beijing, China, is an expert in financial social work and financial capability research. Faculty Associate [Rasha Istaiteyeh](#), associate professor in Economics, the Hashemite University, Zarqa, Jordan, is an expert in international migration, economic development, human capital, the economics of migration and refugees, and health economics.

[Aytakin Huseynli](#), research assistant professor in the Brown School, will serve as a panelist in "Pedagogy of Hope: Professional Development for

Social Workers Affected by Russia's War in Ukraine," a session within the Council on Social Work Education's [2024 Annual Program Meeting](#). See Dr. Huseynli's related study, "[Building Social Work Capacity in Ukraine in Times of War: The Role of Global Social Work Engagement](#)" in *International Social Work*.

[Huseynli](#) presented "Research Informing Asset-Building Policies Linked to Natural Resources: Case of Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan" at the First Forum of Azerbaijani Scholars Living Abroad, an invitation-only convening in Baku, Azerbaijan, in mid-September, and was interviewed about her work by [Əkinçi](#).

Faculty Director [Carrie Pettus](#), President and CEO of [Wellbeing and Equity Innovations](#), presented her research and practice experience on decarceration at "[Examining Prosecution](#)," a workshop convened September 23–24, 2024, by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.



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