

SADIE BERGEN

Education

- Columbia University, New York, NY
PhD, Sociomedical Sciences/History and Ethics of Public Health 2025
Dissertation: “Newborn Country: Space, Place, and the Rise of Neonatal Intensive Care in the United States, 1930–1980”
Committee: Merlin Chowkwanyun (sponsor), David Rosner (chair), Elizabeth Blackmar, Jennifer Hirsch, and Sara Dubow
Defense Date: November 2024
- Master of Philosophy in Sociomedical Sciences/History and Ethics of Public Health 2021
Exam Fields: Social History of American Public Health (David Rosner); Gender, Sexuality and Health (Constance Nathanson); The Social Production of Gender in the 19th and 20th Century U.S. (Stephanie McCurry); 20th Century United States (Elizabeth Blackmar)
- Master of Arts in Sociomedical Sciences/History and Ethics of Public Health 2019
Master’s Thesis: “Little More Than A Smokescreen”: Fetal Protection Policies and Sex Discrimination in the Vinyl Chloride Industry, 1974-1980
- The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Bachelor of Arts in History (with Honors) 2015

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- 2025 Center for Engaged Scholarship Research Grant
2023 Center for Engaged Scholarship Dissertation Fellowship
Citizens & Scholars Women’s Studies Fellowship
- 2022 Precision Medicine and Society Graduate Fellowship
Jack Elinson Award for published articles of outstanding merit in the Department of Sociomedical Sciences
Donald H. Gemson Scholarship
- 2017–2022 NICHD Predoctoral Fellowship in Gender, Sexuality and Health
- 2020 F.C. Wood Institute Travel Grant
- 2011–2015 University Merit Scholarship, University of Chicago

Publications

- 2024 **Bergen, S.**, Maughan, E., Johnson, K.E., Cogan, R. Secor, M., and Sommer, M. (2024). The History of American Menstrual Health, School Nurses, and the Future of Menstrual Health Equity. *American Journal of Public Health*, 9(114), 903-908.
<https://doi.org/10.2105/AJPH.2024.307705>
- 2023 **Bergen, S.**, Murimi, D., Gruer, C., Munene, G., Nyachio, A., Owiti, M. (2023). Living with Endometriosis: A Narrative Analysis of the Experiences of Kenyan Women. *International*

Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, 20(5), Article 5.
<https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph20054125>

2022 **Bergen, S.** (2022). “The kind of doctor who doesn’t believe doctor knows best”: Doctors for Choice and the medical voice in Irish abortion politics, 2002–2018. *Social Science & Medicine*, 297, 114817. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2022.114817>

Bergen, S. (2022). Fetal Protection Policies and Corporate Liability of the US Vinyl Chloride Industry, 1974–1991. *American Journal of Public Health*, 112(2), 271–276.
<https://doi.org/10.2105/AJPH.2021.306539>

2021 Dragoman, M., Fofie, C., **Bergen, S.**, & Chavkin, W. (2022). Integrating self-managed medication abortion with medical care. *Contraception*, 108, 1–3.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.contraception.2021.12.003>

Philbin, M.M., **Bergen, S.**, Parish, C. *et al.* (2022). Long-Acting Injectable ART and PrEP Among Women in Six Cities Across the United States: A Qualitative Analysis of Who Would Benefit the Most. *AIDS and Behavior* 26, 1260–1269.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10461-021-03483-7>.

Philbin, M., Parish, C., **Bergen, S.**, *et al.* (2021). A Qualitative Exploration of Women's Interest in Long-Acting Injectable Antiretroviral Therapy Across Six Cities in the Women's Interagency HIV Study: Intersections with Current and Past Injectable Medication and Substance Use.” *AIDS Patient Care and STDs*, 35(1), 23–30.
<http://doi.org/10.1089/apc.2020.0164>

Professional and Teaching Experience

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| 2020 | <p>Global Doctors for Choice, <i>Policy Intern</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrote briefing papers for multiple stakeholders on legal and medical dimensions of gestational surrogacy and self-managed medication abortion. • Conducted key informant interviews and original research to develop online teaching module training physicians in political advocacy skills. |
| 2019–2020 | <p>Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health</p> <p><i>Teaching Assistant</i> for Theories and Perspectives on Sexuality and Health, Fall 2020</p> <p><i>Teaching Assistant</i> for Social History of American Public Health, Spring 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepared agendas, facilitated seminar-style discussions, and delivered lectures for MPH and undergraduate courses. • Graded assignments and provided individualized support and feedback on student performance. |
| 2015–2017 | <p>Assistant Editor (2016–2017), Editorial Assistant (2015–2016), American Historical Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managed production process for monthly magazine <i>Perspectives on History</i>. • Edited forthcoming blog posts; wrote social media copy for and laid out daily blog posts. • Wrote articles and blog posts for <i>Perspectives on History</i> and <i>AHA Today</i>. |

Presentations

"Interrogating Flows of Capital at the Meso-Level: Exploring Justice Frameworks in Global Genomics Research." *Accepted for presentation at the 2025 Society for the Social Studies of Science Annual Meeting.*

“‘We can't allow these things to proliferate on every street corner’: Reproductive Politics and Neonatal Intensive Care Units in New York State, 1976–1985,” American Association for the History of Medicine Conference, 2023.

“‘Little More Than A Smokescreen’: Fetal Protection Policies and Sex Discrimination in the Vinyl Chloride Industry, 1974–1980,” American Association for the History of Medicine Conference, April 2019.

Professional Service

2022–2024	Departmental Steward, Student Workers of Columbia, Columbia University
2022–2024	Rapporteur for Menstruation and Society University Seminar series, Columbia University
2021–2023	Chair, Graduate and Early Career Committee, American Historical Association
2020	Student lead, Obstetric Postpartum Telemedicine Project, Columbia Student Service Corps
2020	Committee member, Graduate and Early Career Committee, American Historical Association
2017–2022	Co-organizer and facilitator, Columbia University Department of Sociomedical Sciences Gender, Sexuality and Health Seminar Series