

QUALIFICATIONS SUMMARY

Dr. Dohrn has more than a decade of research, evaluation, project management, and technical assistance experience. At Abt, her work focuses primarily on US Department of Labor projects.

EDUCATION	RELEVANT SKILLS/EXPERTISE
PhD, Social Policy; Brandeis University, 2018	- Research and evaluation experience: analyzing data; conducting interviews, focus groups, and program observations; fielding surveys; monitoring data management systems; conducting site visits; convening stakeholders; presenting findings; writing reports - Social policy and program expertise: youth/workforce/community development; P-20 education; child welfare; human services - Technical assistance skills: facilitating meetings; developing training; writing materials
MA, Social Policy; Brandeis University, 2012	
MSW, Management and Community Organizing; University of Maryland, 2008	
BA, Human Development; Boston College, 2004	

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Associate, Abt Associates (2023 – 2024). **Durham, NC.**

Associate, Abt Associates (2022 - 2023). **Durham, NC.**

Deputy Project Director, Equitable Transition Models (ETM) Evaluation Support Services (2023- present). Providing overall project management for new contract. Developing work plan. Leading the TWG task. Preparing to co-lead data collection and analysis for the implementation and outcomes studies, as well as the customer experience task.

Task Lead, Gates Foundation’s Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MLE) Strategic Support – Economic Mobility and Opportunity (EMO) Portfolio (2022-present). Served as task lead for the rapid strategy review for EMO’s 2023 Portfolio Review and Dashboard. Lead the MLE refinement plan with two Bodies of Work: Capital and Narratives. Developing systems and tools as thought partner for the EMO team.

Project Director, Job Corps Evidence Building Project (2022–present). Oversee the budget and management of the contract. Co-authored the *Research and Evaluation Framework*.

Deputy Project Director, Partners for Re-entry Opportunities in Workforce Development (PROWD) (2022–present). Manage daily operations of the new contract. Co-lead the Early Implementation Task. Facilitate interviews with grantees. Presenting preliminary findings at the 2023 American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting. Created database for grantee applications. Developed clarifying calls protocol.

Task Lead, Health Profession Opportunity Grants 2.0 (2022- present) Co-writing a Special Topics series paper. Managed the process of de-identifying and preparing 154 in-depth interviews for submission into the Inter-Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)’s data archive. Co-developed archival protocol. Completed the process with 30+ interviews.

Deputy Project Director, Building Evidence for the Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessments (RESEA) Project (2022–2023). Supported the daily operations of the contract. Participated in calls with the COR and other DOL staff. Reviewed TA deliverables, including tip

sheets, FAQs, and webinar materials. Coordinated the External Validity Expert Panel. Served as a liaison to two states. Authored a *State Spotlights* series.

Project Director, Career Pathways Descriptive and Analytic Extension (2022–2023).

Oversaw the budget and management of the contract as a sub to Trewon Technologies. Co-authored a *Components of Career Pathways* series of four briefs.

Associate, Abt FY 2023 Pro Bono Project (2022–2023). Provided technical assistance to the Worcester Education Collaborative (WEC). Participated in weekly meetings with WEC leaders. Surveyed participants of the Worcester Education Equity Roundtable (WEER) to develop Community Informed Measurements of Success. Presented at WEER meetings.

Associate, Early Childhood Scholarship Program Design – Delaware (2022–2023). Gathered literature on best practices to develop a new scholarship for early childhood professionals in the state of Delaware. Conducted focus groups and listening sessions with early childhood and higher education leaders in the state.

Managing Consultant, Manhattan Strategy Group (2021–2022). Bethesda, MD.

- Served as Project Manager for DOL’s Chief Evaluation Office’s Evaluation Technical Support contract. Organized DOL’s Roundtable Series on Equity and Community Colleges. Co-developed curriculum for DOL’s Program Evaluation Certificate. Managed DOL’s inaugural Summer Data Challenge. Interviewed DOL leaders and wrote internal Lessons Learned from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act memo.

Evaluator, L&G Research and Evaluation Consulting, Inc. (2019–2021). New York, NY.

- Managed the evaluation of a portfolio of 21st Century Community Learning Centers, School Violence Prevention and Extended School Day grants for New York City’s (NYC) Department of Education’s Office of Community Schools. Conducted interviews and facilitated focus groups for NYC’s Department of Youth and Community Development.

Community Youth Empowerment Volunteer, US Peace Corps (2017–2019). Suva, Fiji.

- Served at a Let Girls Learn post in the Knowledge Management Unit of Fiji’s Ministry of Youth and Sports. Co-advised Fiji’s inaugural Model United Nations Collegiate Team. Provided programmatic support for the Women’s Entrepreneurial Leadership Symposium. Facilitated the public consultation process for the National Youth Policy throughout Fiji.

Technical Advisor, YMCA of the USA (2014–2017). Chicago, IL.

- Managed a portfolio of YMCA of the USA (Y-USA)’s Evidence-Based Youth Development grantees. Provided implementation, evaluation and sustainability consultation for associations offering Y-USA’s Achievement Gap Initiative’s core programs throughout the country. Conducted site visits. Updated and monitored the Data Management System. Designed and delivered virtual and in-person training. Presented at national conferences.

Part-Time Faculty, Bridgewater State University (2011–2014). Bridgewater, MA.

- Taught Policy I: Introduction to Social Welfare Policy; Policy II: Development, Advocacy and Analysis; and Introductory Social Research for the Master of Social Work program. Taught Social Welfare Policy for undergraduate students.

Graduate Research Associate, Brandeis University (2011–2014). Waltham, MA.

- Collected and analyzed data for the Evaluation Research and Capacity Building Team at the Center for Youth and Communities. Contributed to reports for foundation-funded initiatives. Presented findings to a variety of stakeholders.

Graduate Research Assistant, Brandeis University (2009-2011). Waltham, MA.

- Collected and analyzed survey data for the US Health and Human Service's Adolescent Family Life Research Program contract at the Institute for Child, Youth and Family Policy (ICYFP). Served as the Research Assistant to the PI and Director of ICYFP.

Direct Service Advocate, Just a Start Corporation (2009-2011). Somerville, MA.

- Provided education, workforce development and parenting support for young mothers residing in a Teen Living Program (TLP) for homeless families. Facilitated evening support groups. Supervised the TLP during the late-night shift.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University – Alumni Association Dissertation Grant Award (2016)

Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University - Sillerman Doctoral Fellowship for the Advancement of Social Justice Philanthropy (2011-2013)

Class of 2008 Exemplary Student Award for Management and Community Organizing at the University of Maryland's School of Social Work (2008)

Baltimore Schweitzer Fellowship (2007-2008)

University of Maryland's School of Social Work - Dean Scholarship (2006-2008)

University of Maryland's School of Social Work - Graduate Research Scholarship (2006-2008)

AT&T Foundation's University Scholarship (2000-2004)