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#### **Research Interests**

Social Policy | Social Welfare in Oil-Gas-Rich Countries | Resource Curse & Disadvantaged Populations |Asset-Building | Family and Child Wellbeing | Applied Research

#### **Education**

Lucuton	
Postdoctoral Scholar, Brown School, Washington University in St. Louis	2022-present
Ph.D. Brown School, Washington University in St. Louis	2022
Dissertation: Exploring the Relationship between Resource Curse and	Child Well-
being, specifically in post-Soviet Countries	
Chair: Michael Sherraden	
MSW, Brown School, Washington University in St. Louis	2005
BA, English and German Philology, Azerbaijan State University of Languages	1995
Professional Experience	
UNICEF Europe & Central Asia, Regional Household Survey Consultant	2022-present
UNICEF, Data, Statistics, Research, and Evaluation Expert for Eurasia	2019-2022
Hilfsverk Austria International, Head of Country Office in Azerbaijan	2009–2014
Azerbaijan Public Social Work Union, Founder, and Board Member	2009-present
UNICEF, National Consultant on Social Work	2007-2010
Open Society Foundation, National Scholar for Higher Education Reform Support	2007-2013
UNICEF, National Consultant on Child Protection	2007 2009
Ministry of Labor and Social Protection of Azerbaijan, senior advisor to minister (direct practice with	
children and families)	2006–2007
Save the Children, Family Support Manager (direct practice with children and families)	2004-2006
Publications	

# Publications

<u>Refereed Articles</u>

- 1. **Huseynli. A.** (2022). Asset building policies to lift the resource curse: child development accounts in oil-and-gas-rich countries. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 145, 106717.
- 2. **Huseynli, A.** (2022). Social work education in post-soviet countries: progress of Azerbaijan. *The British Journal of Social Work.* 53(5), 2560-2580.
- 3. **Huseynli, A.** & Jonson-Reid, M. (2022). Child well-being in post-Soviet countries: discipline practices in families in Azerbaijan. *Child Indicators Research*. *16(1)*, *317-336*.
- 4. **Huseynli, A.** (2022). Social work in Azerbaijan: achievements and challenges of the profession. *International Social Work*. <u>https://doi.org/10.1177/00208728221075824</u>
- 5. Kennedy, A., Kaushik, G., Dubinsky, E., Jonson-Reid, M., & Huseynli, A. (2021). Direct and indirect cost savings from STI testing, treatment, and counseling among foster youth. *Sexually Transmitted Disease*, *49*(1), 86–89. https://doi.org/10.1097/OLQ.00000000001511.
- Rosen, M. H., Pinto, O., Kondratjeva, O., Roll, S. P., Huseynli, A., & Grinstein-Weiss, M. (2020). Household savings decisions in Israel's child savings program: The role of demographic, financial, and intrinsic factors. *Journal of Family & Economic Issues*, 42, 368–386. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10834-020-09724-6
- Huseynli. A. (2018). Implementation of deinstitutionalization of childcare institutions in postsoviet countries: The case of Azerbaijan. *Child Abuse and Neglect*, 76, 160–172. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.2017.10.020
- 8. **Huseynli. A.** (2018). Predictors of child marriages in Azerbaijan: Multilevel analysis. In L. Sayfutdinova, C. Buckley, & A. Valiyev (Eds.), *Study Series on Public Policy Issues* (Vol. 1, pp. 178–197). Caucasus Resource Center.

9. Ismayilova, L. Ssewamala, F., **Huseynli, A.** (2014). Reforming child institutional care in the Post-Soviet bloc: The potential role of family-based empowerment strategies. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 47 (2), 136–148. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2014.09.007</u>

## Policy Briefs

- Huseynli, A., & Sherraden, M. (2023, June). Child well-being policies in post-Soviet countries: The potential of Child Development Accounts (CSD Policy Brief No. 23-18). Washington University, Center for Social Development. <u>https://doi.org/10.7936/8f0m-qs76</u>
- Pinto, O., Kondratjeva, O., Rosen, M. H., Roll, S. P.; Huseynli, A., & Grinstein-Weiss, M. (2020). Household savings decisions in Israel's Child Savings Program: The role of demographic, financial, and intrinsic factors. https://openscholarship.wustl.edu/spi research/22/
- 12. **Huseynli, A.,** Sherraden, M., & Gottlieb, D. (2020). Child development accounts: A policy design and opportunity for Azerbaijan (CSD Policy Brief No. 20-02). Center for Social Development. https://doi.org/10.7936/bnqw-qn41

## <u>Refereed Book Chapters</u>

- 13. **Huseynli, A. (2023).** The role of social workers in achieving sustainable development goals in Azerbaijan. In D. Androff & J. Damanik (Eds.), International handbook on social work, social development, and the sustainable development goals. Routledge
- Ansong, D., Okumu, M., Huang, J., Sun, S., Huseynli, A., Chowa, G., Ssewamala, F., Sherraden, M., & Sherraden, M. (2023). Financial capability and asset building: innovations in social protection and development (CSD Perspective No. 20-27). Center for Social Development. https://doi.org/10.7936/vh44-x812

## <u>Book Review</u>

1. **Huseynli, A.** (2018). Social welfare in East Asia and the Pacific [Book review]. *International Social Work*. https://www.ifsw.org/social-welfare-in-east-asia-and-the-pacific/

## Nonrefereed Publications

- 1. **Huseynli, A.** (2022). *Guidelines for trauma-informed case management with victims of intimate partner violence*. Eastern Partnership Program of the European Union.
- 2. **Huseynli**, **A**. (2022). *Parental burnout prevention manual for caregivers of children with special needs*. UNICEF Kazakhstan & National Alliance of Social Work Organizations of Kazakhstan.
- 3. **Huseynli, A.** (2021). *Disability awareness manual for employers*. Eastern Partnership Program of the European Union.
- 4. Huseynli, A. (2016). Evaluation of social work training programs in Azerbaijan.
- 5. **Huseynli, A.** (2014). *Multi-country evaluation of results achieved in 11 countries through childcare system reforms in 2005–2012*. UNICEF Regional Office for Eurasia.
- 6. **Huseynli, A.** (2010). *Studying knowledge, perception, and attitude for developing foster care, small group homes, and respite care in Azerbaijan.* Hilfswerk Austria International.
- 7. **Huseynli, A.** (2009). Evaluation of 55 residential public childcare institutions in Azerbaijan. UNICEF Azerbaijan.
- 8. Huseynli, A. (2009). Guidelines for child development for parents and practitioners.
- 9. **Huseynli, A.** (2006). Evaluation of current formal and informal community-based services for vulnerable children in Azerbaijan. UNICEF Azerbaijan.

## Papers Under Review

 Huseynli, A., Huang, J., Clancy, M., & Sherraden, M. (2023). Effects of Child Development Accounts on Family Financial Well-Being: Evidence from a Randomized Policy Experiment. *Journal of Consumer Affairs*.

- Huseynli, A., Sherraden, M., & Pandey, Sh. (2023). The Resource Curse and Child Well-being: Unraveling the Link with Evidence from Low-to-Middle Income Countries. *Journal of Social Policy*.
- *3.* **Huseynli, A.,** (2023). The Resource Curse and Child Well-being: Unraveling the Link with Evidence from Low-to-Middle Income Countries. *Critical Social Policy*.

## Grants

Granty	
External Funding, Awarded While Doctoral Students	
	-2021
Funded by the European Union. Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum (\$31,000), Rol	e: Pl
This grant resulted in two manuals and one manuscript.	0010
Awareness raising on child saving accounts, Child Development Accounts in Azerbaijan	2018
Funded by Azerbaijan Government Funding for Nonprofits (\$7000), Role: PI	
This grant resulted in a policy brief.	
Upgrading National Social Work Education Quality Standards to Comply with Global Standards 2017-	-2018
Funded by International Association of Schools of Social Work (\$7000), Role: PI	-2018
This grant resulted in a manuscript.	
Applying Ecological Perspective to Increase Mental Health Awareness Among Children	2017
Funded by BEARR Trust Small Grants Scheme, UK, (\$6500), Role: PI	2017
Shaping Sustainable Social Change in Eastern Neighborhood Countries by Strengthening 2015	-2017
Social Workers and Their Associations in Moldova, Georgia, Azerbaijan, and Armenia	2017
Funded by European Union and Austrian Development Agency (\$500,000), Role: Co-PI	
Examining the Relationship between Resource Curse and Child Well-Being in Azerbaijan	2014
Funded by Open Society Foundation (\$6000), Role: PI	
This grant resulted in a manuscript.	
Internal Funding, Awarded	
Finding Local Needs and Conditions for Child Development Accounts	2018
Funded by Center for Social Development, Washington University in St. Louis (\$7000)	
Role: PI	
	-2020
<u>Grants Under Review</u>	
Enhancing Skills and Knowledge of Social Work Practitioners to Make a Difference for	
Refugees in Bulgaria and the U.S.	2023
Submitted: U.S. Department of State (\$25,000), Role: PI	2023
Testing Effectiveness of Triple P in Reducing Harsh Discipline Practices at Home in Azerbaijan Submitted: Wellcome Trust Fund (\$155,000), Role: PI	2023
Enhancing Economic Participation in Kazakhstan Through Financial Capability Training for Soc	
Service Professionals/Educators.	2023
Submitted: U.S. Department of State (\$50,000), Role: PI	2025
Enhancing Skills and Knowledge of Social Work Practitioners to Make a Difference for	
Refugees in Bulgaria and the U.S.	
Submitted: U.S. Department of State (\$60,000), Role: PI	2023
Upgrading National Minimum Social Work Education Standards of Azerbaijan	
to Meet Global Standards.	2022
Submitted: U.S. Department of State (\$60,000), Role: PI	
Economic Empowerment of the Internally Displaced Women in Azerbaijan to Reduce	
Gender-Based Violence.	2022
Submitted to UNCHR (\$150,000), Role: PI	
Make Bread Not War: Displaced Ukrainian Women in Moldova Find Peace, Fulfillment, and	2022
Economic Stability Through Agriculture, Food Production, and Artisanship.	
Submitted to: UN-Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (\$350,000), Role: PI	
Evaluating the Effectiveness of Positive Parenting Program among Caregivers in Azerbaijan	2022
Submitted to: Sexual Violence Research Institute (\$180,000), Role: PI	2022

### **Teaching and Curricular Achievements**

# Redesigned and Taught Courses

Washington University in St. Louis, Brown School

- S50-5050.01: Evaluation of Programs and Services (in-person)
- S40 5862 01: International Social and Economic Development Policy (in-person)
- University of Missouri in St. Louis, School of Social Work
- SOCWK6400-002: Practice and Program Evaluation (hybrid)
- Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy, School of Business
- MIDS5100-10094: Research Methods for MBA (remote)
- MIDS 5105: Quantitative and Qualitative Data Analysis (remote)
- Baku State University
- Social Work with Families and Children (in person)
- Introduction to Social Work (in person)
- Family and Child Well-being Policies and Services (in person)
- Courses Taught

Saint Louis University, School of Social Work

- SWRK 5705.01: Practice in Global Issues (in person)

#### Courses Co-Taught

Washington University in St. Louis, Brown School

- S40-5863: Global Anti-poverty Strategies (in person)
- S50-5050.01: Evaluation of Programs and Services (in person)
- S50-5007.06: Research Methods for Social Sciences with Statistical Application (in person)

### **Invited Lectures, Workshops**

- Financial Capability and Asset-Building to Reduce and Prevent Domestic Violence International Conference on Prevention of Domestic Violence: Possibilities and Perspectives, Baku Azerbaijan, December 6-7, 2023. State Committee on Family, Women and Children's Affairs of Azerbaijan Beruhlia, Palay, Azerbaijan	2023
Women and Children's Affairs of Azerbaijan Republic, Baku, Azerbaijan - Child Maltreatment in Early Childhood Development and Education	2023
Early Childhood Education Conference, Baku Azerbaijan, December 11, 2023.	2025
Ministry of Education of Azerbaijan Republic, Baku, Azerbaijan	
- U.S. Models in Community, Family, and School Collaboration in Early Childhood Education	2023
Early Childhood Education Conference, Baku Azerbaijan, December 11, 2023.	
Ministry of Education of Azerbaijan Republic, Baku, Azerbaijan	
- Child Development Accounts in Oil-Gas-Rich Countries: Case of Azerbaijan and Kazakhstan	2023
International Conference on Social Work and Social Research: Financial Capability an	d
Asset-Building for All, November 24-25, 2023, Baku, Azerbaijan	
- Social Work Development in Azerbaijan: Achievements and Challenges	2023
Baku Business University, Baku, Azerbaijan, November 17th, 2023	
- What does Inclusion, Equity and Diversity Mean to You?	2023
Azerbaijan Social Work Public Union conference (virtual), April 1, 2023	
- Development of Social Work in Post-Soviet Countries	2022
Lake Michigan Community College's International Week expert panel, Novemb	er 17,
2022, Lake Michigan Community College, Michigan	
- Evidence-based Policies and Services to Prevent and Reduce Family Violence	2022
National Conference on Family Violence and Social Work, Azerbaijan Social Work Pub	olic
Union, June 4, 2022	
Child well-being and child savings accounts in Azerbaijan: theory and possible policy design	2021
Oxford School of Global and Area Studies, University of Oxford, U.K.	
- Determinants of Political Commitment in Improving Child Welfare in Six Post-Soviet Countrie	5
School of Social Work, Dominican University	2021
- Government Measures to Support Vulnerable Groups During the COVID-19	2021
Atlas Global Issues Week, School of Social Work, St. Louis University	
- Development of Social Work in Post-Soviet Countries: Case of Azerbaijan and Ukraine	2021

Brown School, Washington University in St. Louis	
- Professionalization and Institutionalization of Social Work	2021
Central Asian Forum on Social Work Development, UNICEF, and National Alliance	
of Social Organizations of Kazakhstan	
- Social Work with People Affected by Wars: Case of Azerbaijan	2020
International Federation of Social Workers, Europe	

#### **Selected Refereed Presentations**

#### Symposiums Organized

3. **Huseynli**, A. (2024, January 10–14). Building Assets for Child Development: A Global Policy Innovation Symposium, Society for Social Work and Research 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

2. **Huseynli**, A. (2023, January 11–15). Financial Capability and Asset Building in International Perspective: Research, Policy, and Practice Symposium, Society for Social Work and Research 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

1. **Huseynli, A.** (2018, July 4-7). Professionalization of Social Work in Post-Socialist Countries— Cases of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova & Tajikistan Symposium, World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development, Dublin, Ireland.

#### Selected Presentations

12. **Huseynli, A.,** Huang, J., Clancy, M., & Sherraden, M. (2024, January 10–14). Effects of Child Development Accounts on Family Financial Well-Being: Evidence from a Randomized Policy Experiment, [Paper presentation], Society for Social Work and 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington DC.

11. **Huseynli, A.,** Yessimova, D., Huang, J., Sherraden, M., & Assylova, B. (2024, January 10–14). Design and Development Child Development Accounts in Kazakhstan, [Paper presentation], Society for Social Work and Research 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington DC.

10. **Huseynli, A.** (2024, January 10–14). Governance and child well-being: evidence from low-tomiddle-income countries, [Paper presentation], Society for Social Work and Research 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington D.C.

9. **Huseynli, A.** (2023, January 11–15). Child Well-being in Ukraine, Moldova, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, and Kyrgyzstan, [Paper presentation], Society for Social Work and Research 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ.

8. **Huseynli, A.** (2023, January 11–15). Social Work in Wars and Civil Unrests, Special Interest Group Meeting, Society for Social Work and Research 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Phoenix, AZ.

7. **Huseynli, A.** & Dvalishvili, D. (2020, February 14–17). *Socioeconomic Characteristics of Parenting Practices in Azerbaijan.* [Paper presentation]. International Society for Prevention Child Abuse and Neglect International Congress.

6. **Huseynli**, A. (2020, July 15–20). *Measuring political commitment & will in improving child wellbeing: Case of six former Soviet Union countries* [Paper presentation]. Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education, and Social Development, virtual.

5. **Huseynli, A.,** Sherraden, M., & Gottlieb, D. (January 15–19, 2020). *Child development accounts: Policy design and opportunity for Azerbaijan* [Paper presentation]. Symposium Financial Capability and Asset Building in International Perspective: Research, Policy, and Practice, Society for Social Work and Research 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

4. **Huseynli**, A. (2018, June 4–7). *Child development accounts for lifting the resource curse in resource-rich developing countries* [Paper presentation]. World Conference on Social Work, Education, and Social Development, Dublin, Ireland.

3. **Huseynli**, A. (2018, January 12–16). *Examining the association between the resource curse and neonatal mortality rate* [Paper presentation]. 22nd Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR). Washington, DC.

2. Ismayilova, L., & **Huseynli, A.** (Date). *Needs and challenges of developing an integrated mental health prevention program for institutionalized children and their parents in Azerbaijan: Results of formative work* (Paper Presentation). Society for Social Work and Research 21st Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA.

1. **Huseynli, A.** (2016, January 12–16). *Rising child marriages in Azerbaijan: multilevel regression analyses* [Paper presentation]. Society for Social Work Research 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Washington, DC.

**Scholarships**, Fellowships

- Durham University, UK Mary's College Women's Fellowship	2014
- Open Society Foundation Fellowship, Academic Fellowship, and Higher Education Su	
Program	2007
- Open Society Foundation, Social Work Fellowship	2007
	1999
- Open Society Foundation, Women Human Rights Fellowship	1999
Awards	
- Society for Social Work and Research, 2024, Outstanding Social Work Doctoral Disse	
Honorable Mention	2024
-Azerbaijan Ministry of Women, Family & Children Affairs, Award for Social Work an	d Social
Development	2018
- Turkish Association of Social Workers, Turkey, Award for Development of Social Wo	ork 2013
- US Embassy in Azerbaijan, Award for Development of Social Work	2007
Research Experience	
Graduate Research Associate, Center for Social Development, Washington University	
in St. Louis	2015-2022
Graduate Research Assistant, Center for Innovation in Child Maltreatment	2013 2022
Policy, Research, and Training, Washington University in St. Louis	2018-2022
Graduate Research Assistant, Social Policy Institute, Washington University in St. Louis	
Graduate Research Assistant, Social Foncy Institute, washington University in St. Lour Graduate Research Assistant, Crown Family School of Social Work, Practice and Policy	
	2015-2017
of Chicago Service	2013-2017
Professional Service at the International Level	• • • •
- Member of Social Services in the Context of Conflict Network	2016–present
- Founder and Board Member of Azerbaijan Social Work Public Union	2009-present
- Member of Editorial Board of International Social Work Journal	2014-present
- Member of Editorial Board of International Journal of School Social Work	2017–present
Community Outreach Activities	
- Cofounder and Cochair of the Global Social Work Consultation	2022-present
- Member of War and Postwar Social Work Support Group	2020–2022
<u>Conference Organizer</u>	1 1
- Social Work and Social Research: Financial Capability and Asset for All. Hybrid, Nor	
Azerbaijan	2023
-Social Work in Wars and Post-Wars. November 16-17, 2021, Hybrid, Baku, Azerbaijan	
-Models of Child Development Accounts from Around the World. November 6, 2018, E	
Azerbaijan	2018
-Bridge of Social Work. June 3-6, 2013, Antalya, Turkey	2013
Conference Organizing Committee Member	
- 22nd Biennial Conference of International Consortium for Social Development	2021
Social Work in Wars and Civil Unrest	

-Scientific Learning Collaborative Annual Meeting, Center for Innovation in Child Maltreatment	
Policy, Research, and Training, June 21-22, Brown School, Washington University	2021
- Models of Social Work in Wars and Postwar Contexts	2021
-Scientific Learning Collaborative Annual Meeting, Center for Innovation in Child Maltreatment	
Policy, Research, and Training, May 20-21, Brown School, Washington University	2020
-Scientific Learning Collaborative Annual Meeting, June 10-11, Center for Innovation in Child	
Maltreatment Policy, Research, and Training, Brown School, Washington University	2019
-Fourth Conference on Advancement of Social Work in Post-Soviet Countries	2018
Membership in Professional Societies	

- Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR)

- Council of Social Work Education (CSWE)
- International Federation of Social Workers

#### Languages

- English - fluent; Russian - fluent; Turkish - fluent; German - basic; Azerbaijani - native

### **Professional Development**

Certificate, Innovator: Preparation in Pedagogy, Washington University in St. Louis	2022
Kempe Center for the Prevention & Treatment of Child Abuse & Neglect Summer School	2022
- Course 1: Evaluation of Programs and Services in Child Maltreatment.	

- Course 2: Challenges in Child Maltreatment Research.