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Education

Ph.D.	Harvard University	1976	Sociology
M.A.	Harvard University	1973	Sociology
B.A.	Brandeis University	1969	Sociology

Smith College Junior Year Abroad: Universite de Geneve, Institut de Hautes Etudes Internationales, Institut Africain--Geneva, Switzerland, 1967-68

Current and Recent Research Interests

Short-term volunteering in global health
Quality of life with chronic liver disease and transplantation
Social capital and health; alternative community currencies
Urban applied social research

Professional Experience

Lehigh University		
NEH Distinguished Professor	1995 -	
Department Chair	1993-1996, 2006-2012	
Department Graduate Coordinator	1997 – 2006, 2011-2012, 2013-2015	
Professor	1989 -	
Associate Professor	1983 - 1989	
Assistant Professor	1981 - 1983	
Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences	1987-89, 1990-92	
Bucknell University		
Assistant Professor	1977-81	
Brown University		
Assistant Professor	1974-77	
University of Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire		
Research associate, Institut d'Ethnosociologie	1972-74	

Honors, Grants, and Awards

2014	Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Centennial Medal
2013	Brocher Foundation residency, Hermance Switzerland, February-April
2012-13	Lehigh University, Faculty Incentive Grant
2009	Lehigh University Women's Center Recognition
2006	Society for International Training, selected for sponsored course on Chinese Traditional Medicine and Public Health, Yunan China
2002	Hillman Faculty Award, Lehigh University
1999	Teeples Outstanding Paper Award, Atlantic Marketing Association, Annual Meeting
1997	Women's Studies Curriculum Development Grant

- 1995 - National Endowment for the Humanities Distinguished Professor
 1995 Panhellenic Council, "FRIEND of the Semester"
 1988-91 Biomedical Research Support Grant, NIH, Principal Investigator
 1987-88 Competitive renewal, NIA
 1985-87 NIA research grant, Community Social Change and Mortality
 1987-89 Competitive renewal, NICHD
 1984-87 NICHD research grant, Effects of Pregnancy Loss on Individuals and Families
 1983-85 Class of 1961 Professorship
 1983 Outstanding Woman of the Year, Lehigh Valley Association for Academic Women
 1975, 1980, 1986, 1989 Biomedical Research Support Grant, Public Health Service
 1972-74 Comparative International Program (Harvard) predoctoral training grant
 1969-72 Harvard University scholarship and teaching assistantships
 1970-71 National Institute of Mental Health predoctoral research training grant
 1969 B.A. magna cum laude, Brandeis University, Phi Beta Kappa

Publications

BOOKS

- 2016 Judith N. Lasker, *Hoping to Help: The Promises and Pitfalls of Global Health Volunteering* Cornell University Press
- 2012 Ed Collom, Judith N. Lasker, and Corrine Kyriacou, *Equal Time, Equal Value: Community Currencies and Time Banking in the USA*, Ashgate Publishing.
- 1994 Judith N. Lasker and Susan Borg, *In Search of Parenthood: Coping with Infertility and High Tech Conception (Artificial Insemination, Test Tube Fertilization, Surrogate Motherhood, and Ovum Transfer)*. Revised edition, Philadelphia: Temple University Press
 1989 British edition, Pandora Press
 1987 First edition, Beacon Press
- 1989 Susan Borg and Judith N. Lasker, *When Pregnancy Fails: Families Coping with Miscarriage, Ectopic Pregnancy, Stillbirth and Infant Death*. Revised edition, New York: Bantam Books
 1983, 1987 German edition, Tomus
 1982 British edition, Routledge and Kegan Paul
 1981 First edition, Beacon Press
- 1992 Stewart Wolf and John G. Bruhn, in collaboration with Brenda P. Egolf, Judith N. Lasker, and Billy U. Phillips, *The Power of Clan; The Influence of Human Relationships on Heart Disease*. New Brunswick, N.J.: Transaction Publishers

ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Under review. B. J. Lough, R. Tiessen, and J. N. Lasker, Effective Practices of International Volunteering for Healthcare Promotion: Perspective from Host Partner Organizations

- In press. A. Smaldino, J.N. Lasker, & C. Myser. "Clear as Mud: Voluntourism, Power Dynamics, and Global Health". In N. Arya and J. Evert, *Global Health Experiential Education; From Theory to Practice*. Routledge.
- 2017 M. Rozier, J.N. Lasker, & B. Compton. Short-Term Volunteer Health Trips: Aligning Host Community Preferences and Organizer Practices. *Global Health Action*.10:1, 1267957
- 2015- International Health Volunteering; Understanding Organizational
2016 Goals. *Voluntas: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*. DOI: 10.1007/s11266-015-9661-4. In print: *Voluntas* (2016) 27:574-594
- 2014 J.N. Lasker, M. Rozier, & B. Compton. *Short-Term Medical Mission Trips: Phase I Research Findings--Practices & Perspectives Of U.S. Partners*. St. Louis: Catholic Health Association of the United States.
- 2011 J.N. Lasker, E. Collom, et al., Time Banking and Health; the Role of a Community Currency Organization in Enhancing Well-Being. *Health Promotion Practice*. 12(1):102-15. Epub 2010 Aug 4.
2010. J.N. Lasker, E.D. Sogolow, L.S. Short, & D.A. Sass. The Impact of Biopsychosocial Factors on Quality of Life: Women with PBC on Waiting List and Post Liver Transplantation. *British Journal of Health Psychology*. Oct 16. [Epub ahead of print]
- E. D. Sogolow, J. N. Lasker, R. Sharim, R. M. Weinrieb, and D.A. Sass, Stigma and Liver Disease: the case of Primary Biliary Cirrhosis. *Illness, Crisis, and Loss*. 18(3), 229-254.
- J.N. Lasker, E. D. Sogolow, J. M. Olenik, D. A. Sass, and R.M. Weinrieb, Uncertainty And Liver Transplantation; Women With Primary Biliary Cirrhosis Before and After Transplant. *Women and Health*. 50 (4), 1-17.
- Cowchock, S., Lasker, J.N., Toedter, L., Skumanich, S., & Koenig, H. Religious beliefs affect grieving after pregnancy loss. *J Religion and Health*. 49(4):485-97.
- 2008 E.D. Sogolow, J.N. Lasker, L.M. Short, Fatigue as a Major Predictor of Quality of Life in Women with Primary Biliary Cirrhosis. *Women's Health Issues*, 18, 336-342
- Nelson BA, Gunton KB, Lasker JN, Nelson LB, Drohan L: The Psychosocial Aspects of Strabismus in Teenagers and Adults and the Impact of Surgical Correction. *Journal of the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus*, 12, 72-76.
- 2006 Bradley A Nelson, Kammi B Gunton, Judith N. Lasker. Strabismus Surgery in Adults Must Be Considered Reconstructive Surgery. *Yearbook of Ophthalmology*.
- Susan D. Wiley, Judith N. Lasker, and Judith A. Swartley, "When PostPartum Depression Occurs; Detection and Treatment," pamphlet for physicians and health care providers published by Lehigh Valley Hospital and Health Network

- Judith N. Lasker, Judith A. Swartley, and Susan D. Wiley, "When PostPartum Depression Occurs: A medical guidebook for patients and their families," pamphlet published by Lehigh Valley Hospital and Health Network
- Lasker JN, Sogolow ED, and Sharim RR. "For better and for worse: family and friends' responses to chronic liver disease," *Illness, Crisis, and Loss*, 13, 249-266.
- Judith N. Lasker, Bonnie Coyle, Michael Ortynsky and Kuang Li, Demographic and Medical Predictors of Low Birthweight in a Regional Hospital Based Population. *Health Care for Women International*. 26, 262-280.
- Judith Lasker, Ellen Sogolow, and Rebecca Sharim. The role of an online community for people with a rare disease: content analysis of messages posted on a Primary Biliary Cirrhosis mailinglist. *Journal of Medical Internet Research*. 7, e10.
- 2003 Judith Lasker and Lori Toedter, The impact of ectopic pregnancy; a sixteen year follow up study. *Health Care for Women International*. 24 (3), 80-97.
- 2001 Judith Lasker and Dawn Murray, Jews, Non-Jews, and Attitudes toward Reproductive Technologies. *Contemporary Jewry*. 22, 80-97.
- Susan McGorry and Judith Lasker, Elderly Latinos in the U.S: What do they know and think about HIV/AIDS? *Journal of Non-Profit and Public Sector Marketing*. 9 (3), 89-103
- Also in *Marketing for the Millenium*. Jerry W. Wilson, ed. Atlantic Marketing Association Proceedings Volume XV, Fifteenth Annual Conference, Annapolis, MD Sept 29 - Oct 2, 1999
- Judith Lasker and Dawn Murray, Attitudes toward Technologies for Conception; A Fifteen Year Follow-up, *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*. 31(10), 2165-2183.
- Lori Toedter, Judith Lasker, and Hettie Janssen, International Comparison of Studies using the Perinatal Grief Scale: A Decade of Research on Pregnancy Loss *Death Studies*. 25(3), 205-228.
- Judith Lasker and Susan Borg, The Rise and Fall of Ovum Transfer: a Cautionary Tale, in Kathryn Strother Ratcliff, *Women and Health; Power, Technology, Inequality, and Conflict in a Gendered World*. Boston: Allyn and Bacon (reprinted from *In Search of Parenthood*)
- 2000 Arthur Engler and Judith Lasker, Predictors of Maternal Grief in the Year after a Newborn Death *Illness, Crisis & Loss*. 8, 227-243.
- Judith Lasker and Lori Toedter, Predicting outcomes after pregnancy loss; Results from studies using the perinatal grief scale, *Illness, Crisis, and Loss*. 8, 350-372.
- 1998 The Users of Donor Insemination, in Daniel and Haimes, eds., *Psychosocial Aspects of Donor Insemination: International Perspectives*, Cambridge University Press.

- 1996 Susan Xiaoqin Lin and Judith N. Lasker, Patterns of Grief after Perinatal Loss, *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry*, 66:262-71.
- 1995 Victoria Mekosh-Rosenbaum and Judith N. Lasker, Effects of Pregnancy Outcomes on Marital Satisfaction; a Longitudinal Study of Birth and Loss, *Journal of Infant Mental Health*, 16:127-143.
- 1994 Judith N. Lasker, Brenda Egolf, and Stewart Wolf, Community Social Change and Mortality, *Social Science and Medicine*, 39:53-62.
- Judith N. Lasker and Lori J. Toedter, Satisfaction with Hospital Care and Interventions after Pregnancy Loss, *Death Studies*, 18:41-64.
- 1993 Doctors and Donors: A Comment on Secrecy and Openness in Donor Insemination, *Politics and the Life Sciences*, 186-187.
- Stillbirth, *Encyclopedia of Childbearing: Critical Perspectives*, ed. Barbara Katz Rothman, Oryx Press
- Arnold Lasker and Judith N. Lasker, Do They Want Their Children to Be Like Them? Parental Heritage and Jewish Identity, *Contemporary Jewry*, 12:109-126, 1991 (pub. 1993).
- Reprinted in *Essential Readings On Jewish Identities, Lifestyles & Beliefs*, ed. Richard Altschuler, Gordian Knot Books, in press
- 1992 Brenda Egolf, Judith N. Lasker, Stewart Wolf, and Louise Potvin, The Roseto Effect: A Fifty-Year Comparison of Mortality Rates, *American Journal of Public Health*, 82:1089-1092
- Kandi Stinson, Judith N. Lasker, Janet Lohmann, and Lori J. Toedter, Parents' Grief following Pregnancy Loss: A Comparison of Mothers and Fathers, *Family Relations*, 41:218-223
- 1991 Harriet Parmet and Judith N. Lasker, Religion and Views on Reproductive Technologies: A Comparative Study of Jews and Non-Jews, *Shofar* 10:57-71
- Judith N. Lasker and Lori J. Toedter, Acute vs. Chronic Grief: the Case of Pregnancy Loss, *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry* 61:510-522
- Kristen Goldbach, Dana Dunn, Lori J. Toedter, and Judith N. Lasker, The Effects of Gestational Age and Gender on Grief after Pregnancy Loss, *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry* 61:461-467
- Dana Dunn, Kristen Goldbach, Judith N. Lasker, and Lori Toedter, Explaining Pregnancy Loss; Parents' and Physicians' Attributions, *Omega* 25:13-23
- 1990 Lori Toedter, Judith N. Lasker, and Donald T. Campbell, The Comparison Group Problem in Bereavement and the Retrospective Pretest, *Evaluation Review*, 14:75-90

- Judith N. Lasker and Harriet Parmet, Rabbinic and Feminist Responses to Reproductive Technology, *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*, 6:117-130
- 1989 Judith N. Lasker and Susan Borg, Secrecy and the New Reproductive Technologies, *New Approaches to Human Reproduction: Social and Ethical Dimensions*, edited by Linda Whiteford and Marilyn Poland, Westview Press
- Louise Potvin, Judith N. Lasker, and Lori Toedter, Measuring Grief: A Short Version of the Perinatal Grief Scale, *Journal of Psychopathology and Behavioral Assessment*, 11:29-45
- 1988 Lori J. Toedter, Judith N. Lasker, and Janice M. Alhadeff, The Perinatal Grief Scale: Development and Initial Validation, *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry*, 58:435-449
- Stewart Wolf, Roy C. Herrenkohl, Judith Lasker, Brenda Egolf, Billy Phillips, and John G. Bruhn, Roseto, Pennsylvania 25 Years Later; Highlights of a Medical and Sociological Review, *Transactions of American Clinical and Climatological Association*, 100:57-67
- 1984 Judith N. Lasker and Lori Toedter, Designing a Study of the Impact of Perinatal Loss, *Eastern Evaluation Research Society Newsletter*
- 1981 Choosing Among Therapies: Illness Behavior in the Ivory Coast, *Social Science and Medicine*, 15A:157-168
- 1980 V. A. Medical Care: The Politics of an American Government Health Service, *Journal of Sociology and Social Welfare*, 7:374-389. Reprinted in: *Challenge and Innovation in American Health Care Policy*, ed. Allen Immershein, Westview Press, 1981.
- 1978 Barry Siegel and Judith N. Lasker, Deinstitutionalizing Elderly Patients: A Program of Resocialization, *The Gerontologist*, 18:293-300
- 1977 The Role of Health Services in Colonial Rule: The Case of the Ivory Coast, *Culture, Medicine, and Psychiatry*, 1:277-297
- 1976 Ph.D. Dissertation: Health Care and Society in the Ivory Coast: An Approach to the Study of National Health Systems, Harvard University
- 1974 Le Comportement Sanitaire; une Etude Comparative de Deux Localites en Cote d'Ivoire, National Institute of Public Health, Abidjan, Ivory Coast

Research Contracts

- 2013-14 Catholic Health Association, study of international medical mission trips
- 2010 Hispanic Council needs assessment; St. Luke's Hospital Network needs assessment
- 2009-10 Weller Health Education Center student surveys
- 2009 Lehigh Valley Health Network Community study
- 2008 Allentown Weed and Seed program evaluation and needs assessment
- 2007 North Penn Legal Services, evaluation
- 1996 Air Products and Chemicals, needs assessment for family-work committee

Conference Papers Presented

- 2017 Lasker, J., M. Aldrink, R. Balasubramaniam, P. Caldron, B. Compton, L. Loh, S. Prasad, S. Siegel. Guidelines for Effective Global Health Volunteering. African Forum for Research and Education in Health, Accra, August
- 2017 Lasker, Aldrink, Balasubramaniam, Caldron, Compton, Siegel, Creation and Implementation of Standards for Ethical Global Health Volunteering, Consortium of Universities for Global Health, Washington DC, April
- 2016 Short-Term Missions In Global Health: Current Guidelines And A Proposal, Einstein Medical School global health conference, New York, NY, Dec. 5
- 2016 The Promises and Pitfalls of Global Health Volunteering, Conference: Doing Harm by Doing Good; Ethics of Students Studying, Volunteering, and Working in Global Communities, U. of Iowa, Iowa City, IA Dec. 2
- 2016 Lasker, Rozier, Compton, Short-Term Volunteer Health Trips; Common Practices and Host Staff Preferences, International Service Learning Conference, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, Oct. 24
- 2016 Hoping to Help; the Promises and Pitfalls of Global Health Volunteering, Timmy Global Health conference, Indianapolis, IN Sept. 17
- 2016 Lasker, Rozier, Compton, Short-Term Volunteer Health Trips; Common Practices and Host Staff Preferences, European Society on Philosophy of Medicine and Health Care, Zagreb, Croatia, Aug. 19
- 2016 Short-Term Volunteer Health Trips; Creating Alignment between Host Community Preferences and Sponsor Practices, United Nations University/Maastricht University, The Netherlands, June 22
- 2016 Hoping to Help; the Promises and Pitfalls of Global Health Volunteering, U. of Bradford, Bradford, United Kingdom, June 2
- 2016 Hoping to Help; the Promises and Pitfalls of Global Health Volunteering, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA, April 27
- 2016 Hoping to Help; the Promises and Pitfalls of Global Health Volunteering, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT, March 31
- 2016 Lasker, Rozier, Compton, The Role of Partnerships in International Medical Mission, Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, MA March 17
- 2016 Global Health Volunteering: Making the Most of Short-Term Service Trips, Harvard University School of Dental Medicine, Cambridge, MA, March 1
- 2016 Nine Characteristics of Effective Global Health Volunteer Trips. Medical School for International Health, Ben Gurion School of Medicine, Beersheva Israel, January
- 2015 Global Health Volunteering; Who Benefits? Brocher Foundation, Geneva. Invited paper, June
- 2014 Host Country Staff Perceptions of International Volunteer Health Programs. Einstein Medical School, Advancing Global Health Conference, November
- 2014 Judith N. Lasker, Michael Rozier, & Bruce Compton, Keys to Strong Partnerships in International Medical Missions, American Public Health Association, November
- 2014 Short-Term International Medical Mission Trips: Phase I, Research Findings, Practices & Perspectives of U.S. Partners. Catholic Health Association, Global Health Summit, September
- 2014 International Health Volunteering; Understanding Organizational Goals, Society for the Study of Social Problems, August

- 2013 Measuring impact: How do organizations sponsoring short-term international health volunteers know if they are making a difference? American Public Health Association, November
- 2013 Host Country Staff Perceptions of International Volunteer Health Programs, Association for Research on Non-Profit and Voluntary Action, November
- 2013 Giving Back: International Volunteering in Health, Society for the Study of Social Problems, August
- 2012 Ed Collom*, Judith Lasker, and Corinne Kyriacou, Equal Time, Equal Value: Building Healthier Communities through Time Banking, American Sociological Association, August
- 2011 Corinne Kyriacou, Ed Collom, and Judith Lasker*, Building healthier communities through Time Banking, American Public Health Association, October
- 2011 Judith N. Lasker*, Ed Collom, Corinne Kyriacou, Time Banks in the United States: Organizational and Membership Diversity, Society for the Study of Social Problems, August
- 2011 Ed Collom*, Judith N. Lasker, Corinne Kyriacou, Buying Local with Community Currency: Participation in Time Banking, American Sociological Association, August
- 2009 Lehigh University's Community Fellows Program; an Example of University-Community Collaboration in Applied Social Research. Patriot League Conference: Exploring Alternative Pedagogies: what the best Patriot League Teachers Do, Bucknell University, October.
- 2008 Cowchock FS*, Lasker JN, Toedter L, Skumanich SA, Koenig HG, Religious Beliefs and Practices Have a Role in Grieving after Perinatal Loss International Society of Obstetric Medicine, September.
- 2008 Jennifer Olenik*, Judith N. Lasker, Ellen D. Sogolow, et al. The Impact of Uncertainty on Quality of Life in Women With Chronic Liver Disease. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Boston, August.
- 2008 Cowchock FS*, Lasker JN, Toedter L, Skumanich SA, Lohmann, J, Koenig H, Religious Beliefs and Practices have a Role in Grieving after Perinatal Loss. Society for Theology, Spirituality, and Health. Duke University, June.
- 2008 Judith N. Lasker*, Ellen D. Sogolow, et al., Quality Of Life Pre- and Post-Transplant In Women with PBC, American Transplant Congress, Toronto, May.
- 2007 J.N. Lasker* et al., Social Ties and Perceived Health Improvement; The Role of Time Bank Organizations. Time Bank USA Conference, Madison, November.
- 2007 C. Rich*, J. N. Lasker, E.D. Sogolow, Role changes in response to autoimmune liver disease and transplantation; the transformation of family, work and social Life. Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, March.
- 2007 E.D. Sogolow* & J.N. Lasker*, Before and After Transplant: Health and Well-being with PBC. PBCers Eastern Regional Conference, Cleveland, July
- 2006 J.N. Lasker, T. Bealer*, J. Young*, et al. Building Community Ties and Individual Well Being: A Case Study of the Community Exchange Organization. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Montreal, August
- 2006 J.N. Lasker*, R.S. Sharim, & E.D. Sogolow, Stigma and Chronic Liver Disease. Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, February
- 2005 J.N.Lasker and E.D. Sogolow*, PBC and Quality of Life. PBCers Organization national conference, Las Vegas June

- 2005 J.N. Lasker*, E.D. Sogolow, and R.R. Sharim, Women's experience of liver disease and transplantation. Eastern Sociological Society, Washington, D.C., March
- 2005 J.N. Lasker*, E.D. Sogolow, and R.R. Sharim, Women's experience of liver disease and transplantation. Pacific Sociological Association, Portland, OR, April
- 2005 Judith N. Lasker, Tara Bertsch, Jessica Brown, Jessica R. Dreistadt, Jacqueline Gardocki, Jinbo* Gong, Maureen Isaacson, Teniece Johnson, Jennifer Miernicki-Nojunas, Sarah Niebler, Dawn Rocky, Amy Seng, Carlos Tavares, Carli Toliver, Joseph Van Brackle, Elizabeth Wolski. BethWorks Now: A Sociological Perspective. Society for Applied Sociology, Philadelphia, August.
- 2004 Judith N. Lasker*, Ellen D. Sogolow, Lynn M. Short, and Rebecca Sharim, The role of the internet for women with chronic liver disease: A case study. American Public Health Association, Washington, D.C., November
- 2004 Judith N. Lasker, Ellen D. Sogolow, Lynn M. Short, and Rebecca Sharim*, The Role of the Internet for People With a Rare Disease: The Case of Primary Biliary Cirrhosis. Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco, August.
- 2004 Sharing Illness on the Internet: Information and Support for people with chronic liver disease. Pennsylvania Medical Humanities Consortium conference, Hershey, Pa., May.
- 2003 Judith N. Lasker* and Hannah Stewart-Gambino, Lehigh University's Community Fellows Program; An Example of University-Community Collaboration in Applied Social Research. Society for Applied Sociology, New Orleans, October.
- 2003 Ellen D. Sogolow , Judith N. Lasker*, and Lynn M. Short, The Role of Family Support for People living with Liver Disease, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Atlanta, August.
- 2002 Judith N. Lasker*, Ellen D. Sogolow, Lynn M. Short, Miguel Arguedas, Psychosocial and Behavioral Dimensions of Living with Liver Disease, International Sociological Association, Brisbane, Australia, July.
- 2002 Judith N. Lasker*, Ellen D. Sogolow, Lynn M. Short, Miguel Arguedas, Psychosocial and Behavioral Dimensions of Living with Liver Disease, Eastern Sociological Society, Boston, March
- 2001 Judith N. Lasker*, Michael Ortynsky Kuang Li, and Bonnie Coyle, Demographic and Medical Predictors of Low Birthweight in a Regional Hospital Based Population, Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting, Anaheim, August.
- 2001 Judith Lasker*, Kuang Li, Michael Ortynsky, Partnership between Sociology and Public Health: Assessment of Risk Factors for Low Birthweight Deliveries, Community Campus Partnerships for Health, San Antonio.
- 2000 Judith Lasker* and Dawn Murray, Attitudes toward Technologies for Conception; A Fifteen Year Follow-up, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Washington, D.C.
- 2000 Victor Argothy, Joyce Donigian, Brooke Dumain, Alisa Shiffman, Sarah Tarnoff, and Judith Lasker, University Students and Community Residents: Perceptions of Town-Gown Relations. Society for Applied Sociology, Bethesda, MD.
- 1999 Judith Lasker and Dawn Murray, Religion, Religiosity, and Attitudes toward Reproductive Technologies. Midwest Jewish Studies Association, Colorado Springs
- 1999 Sell me your eggs: women and men respond to reproductive technologies, University of Colorado, Women's Studies Program, Colorado Springs
- 1999 Judith Lasker and Susan McGorry, HIV Prevention and Latino Culture; Differences in Knowledge and Attitudes among Latino Subgroups, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago
- 1999 Susan Y. McGorry and Judith N. Lasker, Elderly Latinos: What Do They Know and Think About Aids? Atlantic Marketing Association Conference, Annapolis, Maryland. Nominated for Eugene Teeple Best Conference Paper Award.

- AIDS: The Global Epidemic, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago
 Judith Lasker and Dawn Murray, Religious Identification and Views on Reproductive
 Technology, International Institute of Sociology, Tel Aviv
 AIDS around the World, Hershey Medical School
 Susan McGorry and Judith Lasker, HIV Knowledge and Attitudes Among Older Latinos
 in the U.S., Eastern Sociological Society, Boston and Atlantic Marketing Association
- 1997 Colonialism, Neo-Colonialism and Medical Care: The Case of the Ivory Coast, Groote
 Schur Hospital, Capetown, South Africa
 Following the AIDS Epidemic around the World, Pennsylvania State University,
 Department of Geography
- 1995 Infertility: Medical Treatment and Social Responses, Luce Symposium, Wellesley
 College
- 1994 Jewish Responses to AIDS, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Albuquerque
- 1993 Susan Xiaoqin Lin and Judith N. Lasker, Patterns of Grief Reaction after a Pregnancy
 Loss, International Conference on Bereavement, Stockholm, 1994 and Eastern
 Sociological Society, Boston
- 1993 Judith N. Lasker, Janet Lohmann, and Stephanie Skumanich, The Role of Religion in
 Bereavement after Pregnancy Loss, American Sociological Association, Miami
- 1992 Judith N. Lasker, Brenda Egolf, and Stewart Wolf, Community Social Change and
 Mortality, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Pittsburgh
 Susan Xiaoqin Lin and Judith N. Lasker, Ethnic Differences in Grief and Depression,
 Eastern Sociological Society, Arlington, Va.
- 1991 Judith N. Lasker, Victoria Smith, and Lori J. Toedter, Responses to Pregnancy Loss in
 Adolescence, American Sociological Association, Cincinnati
- 1990 Arnold A. Lasker and Judith N. Lasker, Do They Want their Children to be Like Them?;
 Parental Heritage and Jewish Identity, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion,
 Virginia Beach, Va.
- 1990 Judith N. Lasker and Lori J. Toedter, Acute vs. Chronic Grief: the Case of Pregnancy
 Loss, American Sociological Association, Washington, D.C.
- 1990 Judith N. Lasker and Lori Toedter, Grief Outcomes after Perinatal Loss, International
 Sociological Association, Madrid
- 1989 Janet Lohmann, Judith N. Lasker, and Lori Toedter, Religion and Perinatal Loss, Society
 for the Scientific Study of Religion, Salt Lake City
- 1989 Lori Toedter, Judith N. Lasker, and Aileen Wells, Predicting Outcome Following
 Pregnancy Loss: A Two-Year Longitudinal Analysis, American Psychological Society,
 Alexandria, VA
- 1988 Women, Men, and Reproductive Technology, Society for the Study of Social Problems,
 Atlanta
- 1987 Judith N. Lasker and Harriet L. Parmet, Feminism and Halakha: Unexpected Consensus
 on Reproductive Technology, Association for Jewish Studies, Boston
- 1987 Judith N. Lasker and Susan Borg, Secrecy and The New Reproductive Technologies,
 Society for the Study of Social Problems, Chicago
- 1987 Lori Toedter, Judith N. Lasker, and Janice Alhadeff, The Perinatal Grief Scale:
 Development and Initial Validation, Eastern Psychological Association, Arlington, VA
- 1986 Harriet Parmet and Judith N. Lasker, Jewish Liberalism? Views on Reproductive
 Technologies, Association for Jewish Studies, Boston
- 1986 Infertility and the Right to Have a Child, Brown University Lecture Series on New
 Reproductive Technologies and Human Rights
- 1985 Judith N. Lasker and Lori J. Toedter, Bereavement after Spontaneous Abortion, First
 International Symposium on Grief and Bereavement, Jerusalem

- 1985 Alice Mesaros, Judith N. Lasker, and Lori J. Toedter, Grief Reactions to Perinatal Loss: An Argument for Funeral Ceremonies, First International Symposium on Grief and Bereavement, Jerusalem
- 1984 Bereavement as a Health Issue, Eastern District Association of the American Alliance for Health and Physical Education, Philadelphia
- 1984 The Challenge of Pregnancy: Changing Technology and Choice, Lafayette College, February
- 1983 Children's Responses to Perinatal Loss, Foundation of Thanatology and Columbia University
- 1983 Stillbirth and Newborn Death, The Foundation of Thanatology and Columbia University, New York
- 1983 Studying the Consequences of Fetal and Infant Loss, Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco, 1982.
- 1981 Support Groups or Professional Care: Helping Parents after Miscarriage and Infant Death. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Toronto, 1981, and American Public Health Association, Los Angeles
- 1981 Grieving Families: Individual and Institutional Responses to Reproductive Loss. University of Pittsburgh, Department of Sociology/Graduate School of Public Health Seminar Series
- 1981 Judith N. Lasker and Susan Borg, Coping with Neonatal Death. Association for Birth Psychology, New York
- 1980 Colonialism, Independence, and the Medical Profession in the Ivory Coast. African Studies Association, Philadelphia
- Judith N. Lasker and Susan Borg, Responses to Reproductive Loss. American Public Health Association, Detroit
- 1980 The Politics of Professionalism: Effects on Health Care in the Ivory Coast. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Boston
- 1979 V. A. Medical Care: The Politics of an American Government Health Service. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Boston
- 1978 Choosing Among Therapies: Illness Behavior in the Ivory Coast. International Sociological Association, Uppsala, Sweden
- 1976 Methods of Cross-National Health Research, Boston University Institute on Comparative Medical Systems
- 1976 Health Care and Society in the Ivory Coast. New England Consortium for The Comparative Study of National Health Systems, Dartmouth Medical School.

Courses Taught

Medical Sociology	Women and Health
Introduction to Sociology	Urban Communities
Issues in the Analysis of Health Policy	AIDS and Society
Sociology of Aging	Dying and Death
Women and Ethnicity in Global Perspective	Research Methods
Jewish Community and Identity	Global Health Issues

Semester at Sea Faculty, Spring 1997, taught Medical Sociology, AIDS and Society, and Minority Groups

University Service

This is a sampling of committees I have served on or led at Lehigh: Faculty Steering Committee (Chair), Diversity Commission (co-chair), College Policy Committee, Graduate and Research Committee, Ad-hoc planning committee for Health Care Initiative, Martin Luther King Day planning committee, several professorship selection committees, many search committees for deans and for faculty in my department and other departments, Chair of Chairs executive committee, Women's Studies Steering Committee, Jewish Student Center Advisory Committee, Health Care Initiative Task Force, Health Medicine and Society Steering Committee, College of Education promotion and tenure committee, Donald T. Campbell social science prize committee (founder and chair), Affirmative Action Committee, Presidential Chair in Health search committee co-chair.

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